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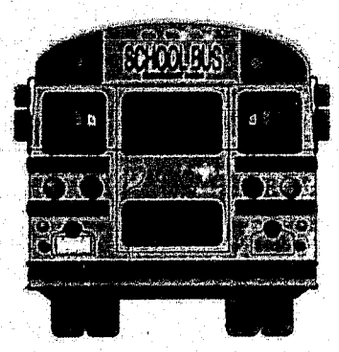

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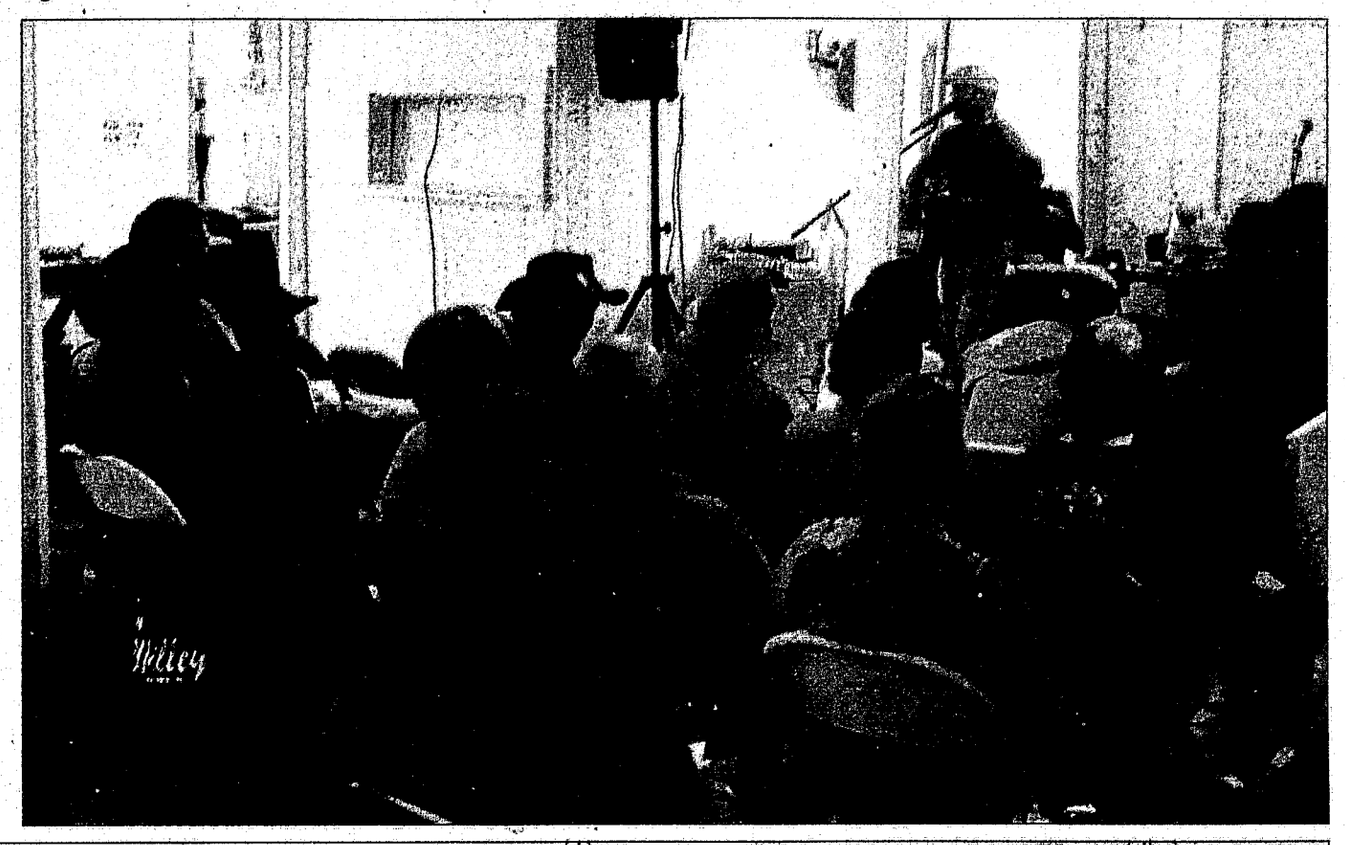
Busy weekend at the Albany Town Hall

Albany isn't even a town, but the Town Hall was bustling with activity through the past weekend. On Friday, about three dozen people turned out for the "Vintage Clothing and Accessories Lunch and Talk" (below). Organizers provided displays of clothing while the lunchers brought in their own items to show off. On Saturday, a wedding took place at the hall. And on Sunday evening, the "Albany Town Hall Music Revival" brought about 40 people out to hear four singers/bands. At right, Brad Hooper and Rusty Wiltjer play. The clothing and musical events raised funds to benefit the Albany Improvement Association, which has been making improvements to the Town Hall.

(Photos: A. Aloisio)



Mt. Abram to receive $235,000 solar project grant

By ALISON ALOISIO

With help from a new $235,000 federal grant, Mt. Abram hopes to break ground in mid-October on a solar panel project that should save the Greenwood ski area nearly 100 percent of its current energy costs.

"It's all very exciting," Mt. Abram owner Matt Hancock said Monday.

The Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) grant was announced last week by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Mt. Abram will install a solar photovoltaic system consisting of 869 solar panels and producing 422,076 kWh of clean renewable energy annually, according to a USDA press release.

Under the terms of the REAP program, up to 25 percent of an eligible energy production or conservation project can be funded through a grant.

Hancock said the total project cost is about $940,000. The grant, he said, " is the difference between [the project] making sense or not."

The project has been

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Bethel Library taking donations to help Lac Megantic, Que. library

The Bethel Library is joining others across Maine to raise funds to help rebuild a library - the Bibliotheque de Lac-Megantic in Quebec, following the train crash last month that destroyed the downtown area of Lac Megantic.

The town's library bordered the train tracks and was one of the buildings destroyed by the explosions. The library's entire collection, estimated at 60,000 items, was lost with the exception of books that had been checked out by patrons, according to a press release provided by the Farmington (Maine) Public Library.

Farmington has been the sister city of Lac Megantic since 1991.

Much of the Lac Megantic's collection is described in the release as irreplaceable, as the library housed historical records, books and photographs documenting the town's history.

The library served 3,000 community members each month. Library officials are requesting monetary donations to help replace the building, computers and materials.

Anyone wishing to donate may look for the donation container at the Bethel Library.

Students cross the lines for education

By ALISON ALOISIO

Many SAD 44 residents likely realize that students (115 of them) from neighboring towns and townships attend district schools on a tuition basis.

But what district residents may not know is that a total of 41 other students either come to the district, or leave it, to get their educations.

Last year 32 students who were SAD 44 residents attended schools in neighboring districts, while nine non-residents came here under what is known as a superintendents' agreement.

Students and their parents make those choices for a variety of reasons, according to SAD 44 Supt. Dave Murphy. "Typically, students attending other districts or coming here do so for a variety of reasons, including closer proximity to the requested schools, families working in those areas who travel back and forth regularly, day care needs, students who have attended those schools in the past who have moved here but want to graduate or finish out at their respective schools, etc."

But, he said, "We do not consider agreements due to sports requests."

Under the arrangement no tuition is charged, but the district where each student attends gets to count the youngster in the calculation of state aid received, while the sending district loses that revenue.

Both superintendents involved must agree to the plan.

According to figures from last October, the 32

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Town Meeting in Andover tonight

By ALISON ALOISIO

A special Town Meeting is planned for Andover tonight (Thursday) for two purposes: to raise $12,000 for an oil spill cleanup at the town garage, and to consider buying a 1995 ladder truck for $100,000 for the Fire Department.

The oil spill happened earlier this summer when the garage's diesel tank leaked because of corrosion, according to selectboard Chair Susan Merrow.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection cleaned it up, she said.

"There are tests being run to ensure that local water sources were not contaminated," she said, and so far all tests have been passed.

"The meeting is to see if the town wants to raise $12,000 to replace the tanks. If the town didn't want tanks at the town garage, we would need to get a contract with a local business that has fuel," said Merrow.

As for the ladder truck item, Merrow said when discussion of the special meeting began, former AFD Chief Ken Dixon circulated a petition "to allow the voters to have another chance at buying a used ladder truck, which was voted down on the warrant last March."

If the article is approved tonight, a second article proposed to make the purchase with a four-year bond at an interest rate of 2.05 percent, for a total of $105,177.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Bethel Recreation Soccer

K-2nd Grade: Bethel Recreation will offer the traditional Saturday morning soccer program for K-2nd grade players. Players must be a minimum of 5 years old or entering kindergarten in 2013. Participants will meet each Saturday from 9am to 10:30am at the lower field of Telstar High School. The program will start on Saturday, August 31st and run through October 19th. Sign up for K-2nd grade program at the town office by Friday, August 30th. $15 for Bethel residents.

3rd-4th Grade & 5th-6th Grade: Bethel will continue to offer older players an opportunity to grow their skills and play more soccer by representing Bethel in the Oxford Boosters League. We will compete in 2 age brackets: 3rd-4th grade and 5th-6th grade. Teams will practice (75-90 min) 2 times mid-week at the lower field of Telstar High School and play 2 games each Saturday afternoon against neighboring towns in the Norway area. The programs will start on Saturday, August 31st at 10:30am and go through October 19th. Sign up for the Boosters program at the town office by Friday, August 30th. $15 for Bethel residents.

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Letters

ANDOVER PARENTS SHOULD HAVE CHOICE

To the Editor:

We write regarding your article that captured so clearly and yet succinctly the essence of the discussion at the SAD 44 Board meeting Monday a week ago on the Andover withdrawal matter.

The one significant open point in the Andover/SAD 44 withdrawal negotiations is a requirement that SAD 44 seeks to impose on Andover that 90 percent of all Andover students in grades 6 through 12 must go to SAD 44 schools for the ten years covered by the withdrawal agreement.

Such a requirement is antithetical to parental choice and seeks to keep Andover as a satellite of SAD 44 rather than as its own independent district as the law requires upon withdrawal and as Andover residents have repeatedly shown in town votes that they overwhelmingly want. It also is something that has never been done except where the withdrawing town needs to have assurance that it can send its students to the district it is leaving. Andover neither seeks nor wants that assurance. While we very much expect that many Andover parents will continue to want their children to go to SAD 44 schools, SAD 44 should not be seeking to impose that requirement on Andover, nor should it feel that it has to given the high quality of its schools.

There has been much give and take on both sides in the overall negotiations – though the SAD 44 Board team has failed to appear at a single negotiation session but instead has left its superintendent and its lawyer to do all of the negotiating despite Andover's repeated requests to meet with SAD 44's whole negotiating team, including its board members.

That being said, with this one significant issue finally resolved, the withdrawal agreement can be finalized for presentation to the State Department of Education and thereafter to the voters of Andover so that, assuming a positive vote, Andover's new district can be in place for the start of the 2014-2015 academic year.

The Andover Withdrawal Committee
Susan Merrow, Chair; Tim Akers; Paula Lee; David Percival

FEEDING THE HUNGRY

To the Editor:

I'm excited about the upcoming community potluck this Friday, Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. at West Parish Congregational Church, "Feeding the Hungry – locally and globally."

The Local Food Connection will share information on local gardening efforts. Brian Lenberg will talk about the 4-H garden. Information about Harvest for Hunger in Rumford will be shared. Melody Bonema will talk about the Emergency Food Packs, which provide 3 days of food for a family of four. David Bean will talk about the Bethel Food Pantry. Audrey Brooke from the Bethel Alliance will talk about their community garden and the monthly free community supper the fourth Wednesday of every month.

This is a kick-off for the CROP Walk (Communities Respond to Overcome Poverty), which supports the work of Church World Service, scheduled for Oct. 6 in Bethel. Seventy-five percent of the money raised on the walk supports the work of Church World Service. Twenty-five percent stays local and fights hunger in the Bethel area, going to the Bethel Food Pantry.

Bring a dish to share and canned goods or paper goods as a donation to the Bethel Food Pantry.

For more information contact Jane Chandler, 357-3524.

Jane Chandler
Bryant Pond

CHRISTMAS FOR FAMILIES THANKS

To the Editor:

As hard as it is to believe we are working on Christmas for 2013. We would like to take this time to THANK everyone that has already helped Christmas for Families 2013.

A special THANK YOU to Roxbury ATV Riders for the generous check as well as all of the wonderful gifts, they have helped for many years. Also, to Maine Street Realty and Rentals for allowing us to use their office for the many donations that have come in already. To all the others that have dropped off donations to Maine Street we would like to let you know that they are greatly appreciated and will find good homes.

Nina Wheeler
Director Christmas for Families

CONSERVATIVE, NOT RACIST

To the Editor:

I must admit to being absolutely astounded at the letter that Don Chase wrote recently. "Never in my recollection has a twice elected president of this nation been subjected to the degree of negativity and unwarranted petty personal insults as the one that now holds that office."

Mr. Chase must be kidding or under the age of five years old. Because the only way he could make that statement is for him not to have been taking breath on this earth before then. Has he really forgotten the unending abuse that President Bush took from every liberal, democrat, progressive and worst of all, almost every mainstream media in the country?

President Bush was ridiculed at every possible turn. His talk was ridiculed. His walk was ridiculed. All of his policies, which by the way, most of which are still in place to include the campaign promise of closing Guantanamo Bay Prison. And by the way, President Bush was elected to two terms as well. President Bush did not enjoy the adoration and unending support that President Obama has enjoyed all through his presidency from a media that all but falls over themselves to win his favor.

But enough about President Bush. Democrats have beaten that nonsense to death. The most egregious part of Mr. Chase's letter, however, is the innuendo that we who are proud to be called conservatives, are racists.

Does he mean to really suggest that the president who let "fast and furious" get so out of hand that an American police officer was killed, a president who calls the Fort Hood shooting "workplace violence," a president who has ignored the death of four Americans in Benghazi, who has ignored an outrageous scandal at the IRS in targeting conservative groups for political reasons on whose watch the NSA is keeping tabs on each and every one of us, continuously failing "green" projects, and a deficit that has skyrocketed out of sight is not the darling of progressives because he is black? And by the way, according to the president, all of these issues are, "phony scandals."

You can't blame people for who they are. I have, in the past, always believed that the difference between Republicans and Democrats was just a different political philosophy but alas I've changed my mind.

How much ineptitude does Mr. Chase need to see to at least question President Obama? No matter what he does or doesn't do, Democrats will continue to support him at all costs.

As for calling me a racist... Mr. Chase disappoints me and makes me more than just a little angry. If he's looking for racism, he should look to his own party. Does Detroit after 50 years of Democrat control and a minority situation that is sinful give him any pause at all? Or perhaps Chicago where blacks are killing each other left and right? Another town controlled by Democrats.

Democrats should look to themselves and their failed policies when looking for racists. In paraphrase, "The Tea Party is filled with the same 'crackers' who fought the civil rights movement down south with police batons and dogs." They were Democrats in Selma, not Republicans.

Harry Faulkner
Bethel

THANKS FOR FINDING OUR DOG

To the Editor:

We recently lost our dog, Zoe, deep in the woods in Grafton Notch State Park and I would like to thank three wonderful men who helped us find her again. Matt Hodgdon, park manager; Mike Pillsbury, park ranger; and Mike Smith, animal control officer in Bethel all went above and beyond the call of duty in trying to find Zoe. At one point we were giving up hope, when Matt Hodgdon called me and said that he had spotted her and then five minutes later that Mike Pillsbury had caught her; I was ecstatic. Mike Smith took her to his house while I drove up from Massachusetts. Not only did they "get the word out" through posting notices, talking to hikers, calling local agencies, etc., they all took a personal interest in our plight. They are caring men and I just can't thank them enough for their help and concern. After I put Zoe in the car, Mike Smith's daughter said, "I already miss Zoe." My daughter, who lives in Fort Stewart Ga. texted me, "It's nice to be reminded that there are still really nice people in the world." Yes, there are! The State Park and the Town of Bethel are fortunate to have men of such caliber working for them.

The Spangler Family
Teri, Rick, Kim, Leslie and Kyle
Gardner, Mass.

CLARIFICATION

Regarding an article in last week's Citizen about the Andover withdrawal issue, a SAD 44 attorney and Supt. Dave Murphy negotiate with the Andover Withdrawal Committee on behalf of and with guidance from the School Board's withdrawal subcommittee, according to district officials.

Celladore

"How do you live with so little money?"

I make my biggest contributions to the budget with a needle. Growing up the only girl in a family and neighborhood of boys, I learned to sew at an early age. I did it for amusement; our funds were limited. My mother let me have old garments to experiment with, so I had the added bonus of learning to make over, now more euphemistically called remodeling. All girls should have this experience, even if they grow up and marry the Ali Khan, for the knowledge gained of quality of material, workmanship, fit, is an invaluable aid when shopping.

An adequate wardrobe of dress-up clothing came with me to Celladore, but in time it went out of style. We were invited to a Christmas party one year and literally, I had nothing to wear. To get to a city to shop was a major undertaking. Party clothes so seldom worn; to buy a new dress seemed a ridiculous and unnecessary expense. I decided to contrive something, had seen advertisements in the "Times" of a pants suit, a coming fashion. I rummaged in the trunks and found a pair of black velvet lounging pajamas. Before I started sewing I phoned Betty T., my hostess, and asked her if she would mind if I came in a somewhat bizarre outfit. She assured me that anything would be fine.

I narrowed the legs of the pants, fitted in the waist, cut off the sides of the tunic as the buttonholes were ragged, put on strips of braid. Next I poked about in a trunk that held old evening dresses, saved for the day when the little girls of the family would like them to dress up in, found a coral chiffon. It was mostly a billowing mass of bias skirt picoted around the bottom. This made voluminous ruffles for the bottom of the sleeves and to fill in the front of the jacket. I modeled it for B.B. who said only, "Will you feel comfortable in that?" "Perfectly comfortable," I answered. The outfit added to the festivity of the party. Until the pants suit fashion came up into our hills, it was called my George Sand rig.

After this, never any concern about party clothes. I contrived something after an invitation was received. One year the Telstar satellite P.'s had a big eggnog party. I dug out a scarlet wool bathrobe never worn here, as the long full circular skirt was too entangling for a trip to the barn or down to put wood in the furnace. I removed the skirt from the waist, put the wrap around part in the back, used the sash for a waist band. With this I wore a black jersey and my best gold jewelry. It was the only long skirt, but in a large house filled with many people it was not too conspicuously avant-garde. Once I sewed peacock feathers around the hem of a plain green jersey dress and wore one in my hair.

Everyday clothes were more important, but my friends away send me their and their children's castoffs. A steady supply of slacks, sweaters, shirts and warm jackets rolls in. The only necessary purchases are shoes and underpants. One can save a lot of money going to rummage sales; the ones on the Cape were fantastic with Mellons, DuPonts and Kennedys donating. But anywhere, a sale always offers something. More important than finding a garment that you like or that fits, are the findings for one who sews. An out-of-style one dollar dress may have six dollars worth of buttons. When sheath dresses replaced shirtwaist dresses, this was a real bonanza. The full skirts cut from straight pieces of cloth made wonderful lining material.

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Our Back Pages

By Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: The 27th annual New England Trappers Weekend took place at Neil Olson's on the East Bethel Road.

The Saunders Brothers dowel manufacturing plant at Locke's Mills (formerly Gilbert Manufacturing) was operating at 85 percent capacity.

Death: G. Dewey Thayer.

20 years ago: Richard DeCarolis, D.O. and T. Kevin Finley, D.O. joined the staff of the Bethel Area Health Center.

The Upton Ladies Aid Society held its second annual fair, followed by a supper and live entertainment, at the Ladies Aid building.

Births: Asher Alden Wilson, Kemsen Elaine Boyd Searles, Spencer Wilson Morse.

Death: Agnes W. Smith.

30 years ago: Dewaine B. Craig was selected by the S. A. D. 44 Board as Superintendent to succeed Dr. Wayne F. Gersen.

Rick and Ellen opened their new store, "The Shop," on Main Street.

Birth: Evan John Freeman.

Deaths: Basil D. Green, Minnie E. Buck, Mrs. Christine Fletcher.

40 years ago: A contingent of 26 firefighters from the White Mountain National Forest had been dispatched to help with the fires in the Western states.

John Laban had begun work on restoring his barn.

Birth: Michelle Lea Grant.

Deaths: Mrs. Muriel Bessey Tucker, C. Adrian Stearns, Alton F. Carroll, Mrs. Genevieve W. Walker.

50 years ago: Work had started on the reconstruction of 1,300 feet of Vernon Street running from Main Street to the residence of John Deegan.

Charles R. Mills had recently completed nine weeks of basic training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Births: Catrina Ann Brown, Holly Bancroft, Susan Eva Rogers, Beverly Pearl Burnham.

Death: Mrs. Georgia Byrd.

60 years ago: Royden Keddy was admitted to practice before the Maine Bar at a special session of the Supreme Court at Portland.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Van Den Kerckhoven and adjoining office of the Van Tel & Tel. Co. suffered extensive smoke damage as the result of a fire that started around the oil burner.

Death: Peter George Halekas, Jr.

70 years ago: There were 3,000 acres of sweet corn in Oxford County. Four hundred corn pickers were urgently needed.

Carl Larson and family moved to the Haselton place on Chapman Street.

Deaths: Ray C. Young, W. H. Hart.

80 years ago: Miss Frances Morrill was the Oxford County delegate to the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Mass.

Bethel held a three day fair at Riverside Park.

Deaths: H. Orvis Rowe, Mellen Eugene Barker.

90 years ago: Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Parlin returned to Shanghai after a furlough, to continue their work under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Church in the Yung Chun Conference, China.

Mrs. Mary Chapman sold her house on Church Street.

Deaths: Augustus M. Carter, Mrs. Alice Swan Brown, Colonel Philo Hersey.

100 years ago: Work was underway for the new Opera House at Rumford at the junction of Waldo Street, Main Street, and Rumford Avenue.

Deaths: Daniel F. Neal, Mrs. Edith L. Stiles, Cyrus C. Dearborn.

A U G 22 2013

Twenty-eight new banners welcoming visitors to Bethel went up Tuesday along Routes 2 and 26, replacing old ones that had faded. Seven different designs depict a cross-country skier, an alpine skier, a snowmobiler, a fly-fisherman, a golfer, a hiker and a bicyclist. The banners were designed by LandWorks of Vermont, the same company that advised Bethel in designing its new directional sign system. The gazebo/river/mountain scene at the bottom of each banner represents the new logo that is part of the system. The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce is funding the banner project. Here, Troy Keach of Oxford Networks places banners near the SAD 44 Bus Garage.

Scrap yard fire ruled accidental

By Peter McGuire,
Sun Media Wire

A fire that ripped through a Maple Street scrap metal yard Monday has been ruled accidental, according to West Paris Fire Chief Norm St. Pierre.

Forty-one junk cars stacked at West Paris Metals scrap yard in West Paris burn Monday afternoon.

The fire was at West Paris Metals, owned by Ernie Yap.

Fire crews from at least 10 towns responded to the fire, which was reported about 3:30 p.m. Monday. Firefighters were able to contain the blaze in the section of the yard used to store junked vehicles.

Sparks from an employee cutting a snowplow frame from a pickup truck ignited vehicles in the area, quickly turning into a conflagration, St. Pierre said. In all, 41 vehicles were torched in the fire, he said.

On Monday, Yap said normally two employees work together when cutting apart scrap cars, but only one was working on the vehicles when the fire started.

None of the vehicles had fuel in them, St. Pierre said. The explosions heard at the site were most likely tires popping or hydraulic lifts on the vehicles, he explained.

Firefighters were on the scene until 9 p.m. making sure the fire was extinguished, St. Pierre said. His department used its entire stock of flame-suppressing foam, 40 gallons, he said.

St. Pierre said there was no further investigation into the fire, but Maine Department of Environmental Protection, which reportedly responded to the scene, might still be probing the event.

A spokesperson for Maine DEP could not be contacted Tuesday afternoon.

Grant

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in the planning stages for about two years. Mt. Abram has its permit approvals from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection and from the Town of Greenwood, he said.

The panels should generate enough electricity to cover almost 100 percent of the mountain's needs, which currently carry an electricity price tag of about $80,000 annually.

"That's almost 10 percent of our budget," said Hancock.

And with fluctuating electricity rates, he said, "that takes out a long-term variable for us."

In addition, he said, Mt. Abram can benefit from "tax opportunities" by getting renewable energy credits.

He's also hopeful that more energy conservation-minded skiers will choose Mt. Abram in support of its energy initiative.

Hancock said if ground is broken in mid-October, the panel project should be finished by Thanksgiving and ready for the start of ski season in December.

If there should be delays, he said, the work would then have to wait until spring.

Hancock said another grant application is in the works for other improvements at the ski area.

In February a representative for Mt. Abram presented a proposal to Greenwood selectmen for a $300,000 Community Development Block Grant to aid in future solar panel expansion and roadway and parking improvements. The board provided a letter of intent in support of the plan to enable the ski area to apply for the funds.

Grant approval also requires applicants demonstrate that the improvements would create jobs.

Longer-term future developments described in February included expanded snowmaking ponds, trail system development, condo units and other improvements.

Hancock said more solar panels might be installed further down the road as the ski area grows.

Students

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SAD 44 students leaving the district went to one of two neighboring systems: RSU 10 (Rumford-Mexico) or SAD 17 (Norway-Paris).

Nine went to RSU 10. Of those, seven were high school students and all of them were from Andover or Bethel.

SAD 17 hosted 23 SAD 44 students, 16 of them of ages K-8. Of the overall total, 17 were from Woodstock, five from Greenwood and one from Bethel.

On the flip side, of the nine students coming from elsewhere to SAD 44, three were from SAD 17 (West Paris, South Paris and Waterford), and six were from RSU 10 (three of them foreign exchange students)

As for the 115 tuition students, they hailed from six towns or unorganized territories (tuition averages about $8,000 per student, paid by the town or the state).

The breakdown was Albany 50; Gilead 27; Hanover 12; Mason 9; Milton 13 and Upton 4.

SAD 44's total student enrollment last October was 814.

The total enrollment for SAD 44 resident students was 692 (Andover 82; Bethel 342; Greenwood 89; Newry 29; Woodstock 150).

Briefly

Ammunition set off in fire

BETHEL-A full magazine of live handgun ammunition was expended Monday evening when the vehicle it was in caught fire. At about 6 p.m., Oxford County Sheriff's Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the scene of a vehicle fire on Intervale Road. Rizzo said he arrived on the scene to find a 2003 Ford F-250 pickup truck fully engulfed in fire. The driver, Benjamin Tyler of Bethel, was attempting to extinguish the flames when he arrived, Rizzo said. Tyler was driving along Intervale Road when he heard a pop underneath the hood and smoke began pouring out, Rizzo said. After Tyler pulled over to the side of the road, the vehicle began actively burning, he said. In the conflagration, a full magazine of 9 mm ammunition that was left in the glovebox of the truck began to cook off, Rizzo reported. An unloaded Ruger 9 mm pistol was recovered from the vehicle after the fire was extinguished by Bethel Fire Department personnel. According to Rizzo, the pistol is owned by Tyler's father, Earl Tyler. (Peter McGuire, Sun Media Wire).

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After 44 years, a return to Viet Nam

Jim Sysko of Newry served in the U.S. Army in Viet Nam in 1969. Earlier this month he returned for a visit. Following is his account.

Going back to Viet Nam was my son Dustin's idea. I doubt if I would have ever done it without his urging and hard work organizing the trip.

When I left Viet Nam after 1.5 years as a combat infantryman in 1969 Viet Nam was the last place on earth I ever wanted to see again.

It took me several years to get over the jumpy feelings a soldier gets from remembering firefights and bombs. There was no psychological counseling or debriefing back in 1969 when I returned to Fort Lewis Washington- just a return of my civilian clothes and a check for my accumulated back pay and I was shown out the gate.

Dustin lives in Amsterdam, Holland. Our plan was to meet in Tokyo Japan and stay for a few days with Jason Fraser his old friend from Newry that now serves with the U.S. military at Yokosuka Navy Base.

After 3 fun packed days around Tokyo Dustin and I flew on to Viet Nam landing at 1 a.m. and spent the night sitting on a wood bench in Saigon's (now Ho Chi Minh City) decrepit train station. I felt a strong twinge of the old jumpiness. We were waiting for the ticket office to open to get our seat for the 6 a.m. train to Qui Nhon 350 miles up the coast. We wanted to be first in line for any available seats.

Turns out we got the last two seats but they were not in the same car. Dustin was in car 10 and I was in car 4 for the entire 13 hour stop and go, incredibly beautiful ride along the South China Sea. Big Sur California came to mind with beautiful jungle covered mountains plunging into the clear blue green sea mixed with seemingly endless areas of rice paddies and coconut trees in former French Indochina.

My seat mate was a 21 year old girl college student that was taking courses in English. She and I talked off and on for the 13 hour ride to Qui Nhon. She's since sent me a few emails and hinted at coming to the United States some day.

In the seat in front of me was another young student from the same school but he did not know her. However it wasn't long before the three of us were fully engaged in conversation. I believe that meetings like this can have unexpectedly good consequences. That boy and girl were talking up a storm in Vietnamese by the end of the trip. Meanwhile Dustin was having his own adventure in car 10.

Qui Nhon, once a French relaxation retreat, is now a seaside resort for the Vietnamese. In 1969 our army unit sent soldiers that needed a break from combat to a small barracks on the beach for a day's leave.

It was unusual for a combat soldier to carry a camera in 1969. The extra pound to carry, and hassle of dealing with the film, wasn't something most guys chose to do but I tried to make the most of the huge adventure I was forced into taking by the military draft.

The pictures I took in 1969 were critical in finding some of the kids that hung with our unit. I hoped to do just that on this trip with Dustin. See picture of 6 boys and 4 girls all about 10 to 12 years old at the time.

You can rent (and we did) a motorcycle all day in Qui Nhon, with no questions asked, for 100,000 dong. That's about $4. A half liter of beer costs 25 cents. Dinner for two was $1.00. Viet Nam is a bargain if you don't mind the mystery meat and hot peppers. Dustin and I hired a cab to take us about 50 miles into the boonies back to An Chieu, the village we protected from the invading North Vietnamese army in 1969. The female cabbie hadn't done this kind of thing before so asked for the outrageous sum of $1,000,000 dong ($40) for the all day trip along dirt roads and rice dikes.

With printed pictures in hand, and Dustin's lap top holding another 150 shots taken in 1969, we made it to the village where the cabbie said she could stay for only an hour and a half.

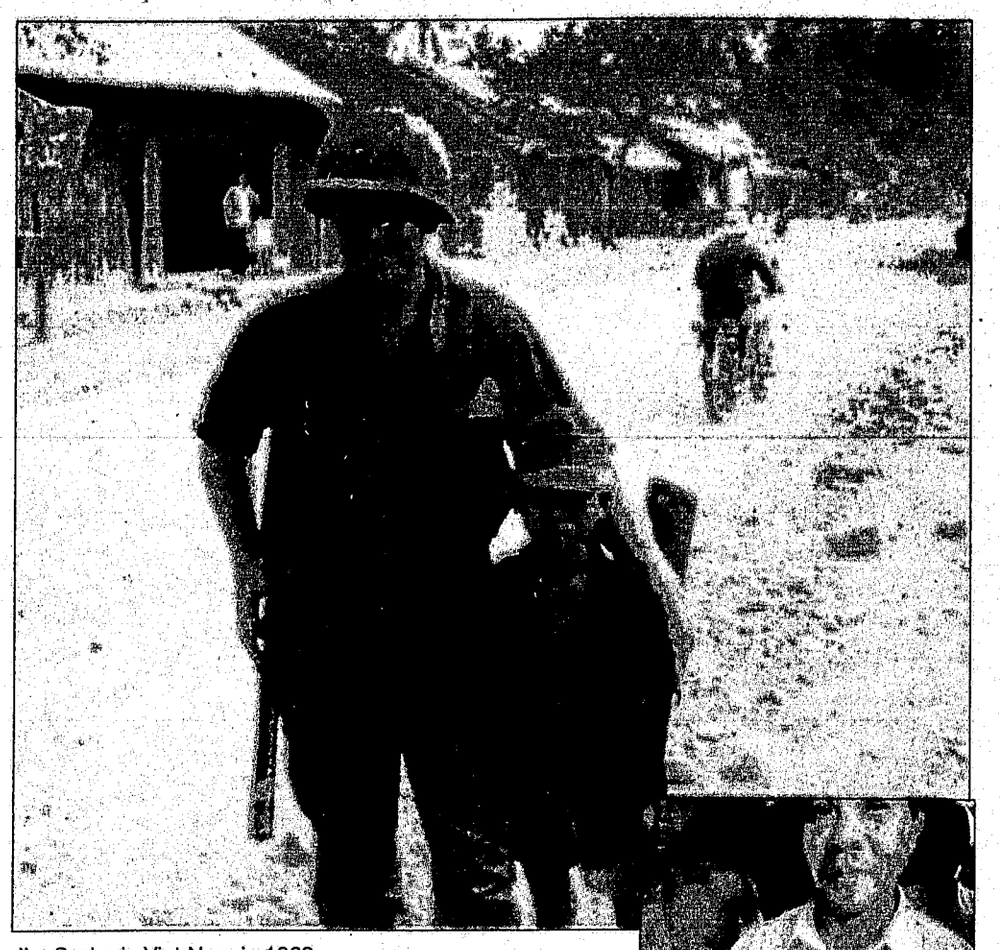
Our unannounced visit had the whole village stop work and gather around us and the lap top. Three of the six boys and three of the four girls in the 1969 pictures were there!

Seeing the likenesses in the boys faces and confirmation by the crowd, Dustin and I were positive these three 55-year-old men were those same boys. Communication was difficult because of the language barrier.

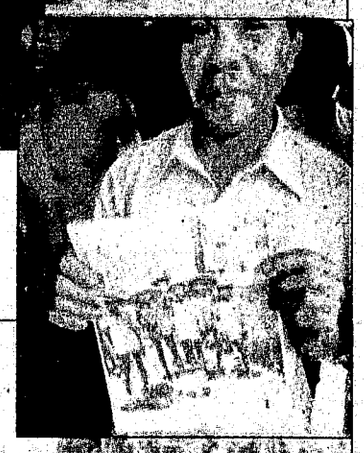
After hearing Dustin say he got four marriage proposals from young ladies in the crowd with several other older women crowding around me, I grew skeptical about the claims of the three women claiming to be the ones in the other, not so clear picture, but who knows.

The village visit was by far the high point of the trip and proof that the adventure will go on. After another 13-hour train trip and 18 more hours in the air I landed back in Boston. Back to the world, and a much easier transition than in 1969.

Moral of the story is "When in doubt, do it!" You never know.



Jim Sysko in Viet Nam in 1969.



At right, The "boy" on the right in the group photo, today.

A group of Vietnamese boys in 1969.

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The Way I See It

By Sharon Bouchard

A couple of weeks ago I joined forces with some friends to have a super big yard sale. Basically, it was all the stuff that my friends had that made it a super big yard sale. I did have a couple of tables of junk that I've been peddling through various yard sales for a couple of years. My friends had about 10 tables worth of stuff plus a lot of big items that would not fit on a table.

Because my friends had so much stuff and we were set up in a great location and under a big canopy lots and lots of people stopped by to look over out stuff.

Unfortunately for me most of these people were interested in my friends stuff rather than mine. I was very glad for my friends and I did manage to sell a few items so it was not a totally lost day. In fact, it was a lot of fun just watching the people and trying to guess who were locals and who were tourists.

The tourists, or at least the ones I pegged as tourists seemed to have the most fun. They would just leisurely browse, picking up this and that, laughing about some of the silly stuff and sharing fond memories of some of the older stuff they remembered from their parents or grandparents homes. They usually found something to buy and didn't haggle about the price.

Then there were those who were "from away", but had camps in the areas, so they were not tourists, but they were also not locals. They were not browsers they were looking for specific items for their camps like dishes and games. When they found what they wanted they didn't haggle about the price either. They were happy to purchase the stuff they wanted and go on their merry way.

I've been peddling through various yard sales

The locals were the easiest to identify. For one thing I knew many of them and even went to school with some of them and for another thing the locals haggle. No matter how cheaply something is priced they want it just a little cheaper.

I got the feeling that the item was not nearly as important as making the deal. For the most part the haggling was done with a lot of laughs and some good nature.

The other locals I could easily identify were the eBay sellers looking for those really cheap items that they can then sell on eBay for big bucks. I know these people because I used to be one of them.

In fact, I bought most of the stuff on my tables at other yard sales figuring I would make a killing on eBay. Needless to say, I didn't make a killing, but I did okay for a few years. Then it seemed the bottom dropped out on the type of stuff I was selling thus the reason for these items being on my yard sale tables.

The eBay sellers are very serious people looking each item over very carefully for condition and looking for makers' marks. These folks haggle and they are not laughing about it.

I haven't sold anything on eBay for a long time and I think I've had all the yard sales I plan to have for quite some time. They are a great deal of work with very little in return... well, there is some fun to be had, but not much money to be made.

I think I will just go to some yard sales and be a browser. You just never know when you'll come across something really special. The way I see it if I do find that something really special I may be able to haggle the price down then sell it on eBay and make a killing.

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Bethel

By DONALD G. BENNETT

Concert at Bingham Auditorium

The Mahoosuc Community Band gave its summer concert at Bingham Auditorium last Monday. Its program had three favorites: Volare, Cabaret and a Louis Armstrong medley. Simon Smith was the guest conductor for the Cabaret number. Simon has played prominently in the Telstar orchestra and with the Mahoosuc Band.

While the audio and acoustics in Bingham Auditorium are a welcome improvement over the acoustics for performances in the Congo Church, the band's stage seating needs some rearrangement otherwise all the audience sees are music holders and musicians' knees.

A one minute video of concert highlights is on YouTube via Google query "Concert at Bingham Auditorium-YouTube" or http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kOFayWi7JgE.

Catch Up News – NTL Labs at Bethel Inn

A large NTL group of participants and staff stayed at and conducted two lab sessions at the Bethel Inn this summer. Last year there was no NLT group meeting in Bethel. Both lab sessions were held at the Bethel Inn Conference Center – one was the general Human Interaction lab and the other had the neat title of "So You Want to Run a T-Group." The latter workshop/lab covers learning how to deliver NTL's core offering, the Human Interaction Laboratory.

Of the Bethel Inn's many facilities, the conference center which can account for 28 of the 100 years of Inn history has proven a major asset for the inn to attract business and nonprofit groups. In was originally built to handle NTL workshops as NTL had to leave Gould Academy. This summer for example the Inn has hosted nationwide and statewide group meetings – something it could not handle without the conference center.

Brad Jerome and Diana Polli both also emphasize the success they have seen this summer in holding outdoor lobster bakes at the Songo Lake House and at the Recreation Center's pool.

The Songo Pond Camp has been a Bethel Inn property for 99 of the Inn's 100 years. William Upson, Inn co-owner at the time, deeded one-half of the property to William Bingham 1914 as the Inn acquired the site.

Part Two of Bethel Waste Water Treatment Water Pollution Control Facility

At the treatment plant office there are two computer systems (networks) that tell their human operators the status of what's going on at the plant and out in the collection area that covers Telstar to Mill Hill to Bridge Street and the areas in between. Rick Davis was the operator on duty Friday afternoon and he gave me a run down on what each computer system did.

The sewage collection system depends on four pumps located at Telstar, Vernon Street, Mill Hill and Bridge Street. At the office desk, one screen displays the main elements of the system and selectively called up screens display how the parts of system are running (using electricity) as well as the volume of flow through the four pumps and pipes carrying fluid to the plant. Energy efficiency is the goal of using computers to manage pump motors and heaters in a way that uses the least amount of electricity. In both areas of the systems, operators can use the computer keyboards to step in to change, start or stop the way a certain part of the systems are running. Instead of a simple desktop computer, the actual body of the computer is housed in a large cabinet. They reminded me of the computers for the Nike air defense missile battery control system that I had the privilege of operating (for training and defense readiness) at Painesville, Ohio over 50 years ago.

Inside the plant area itself a second computer system monitors, controls and reports how the various stages of sewage treatment is progressing. What the operator sees on the screen is a schematic diagram of all the subcomponents of the plant. For example on Friday afternoon one window showed that 73 gallons a minute was flowing from the plant to the Androscoggin after completing treatment. Another window showed power plant usage at 20.1 kilowatts. Another window would list current alarms if a malfunction had triggered an alarm.

Using their home laptops, the supervisor and operators on duty can monitor the state of plant and system operation from home. They can also step in and make adjustments, shutdowns, etc from a laptop at home the same as if they were in the office.

The plan is that when the forthcoming upgrades to the dewatering system has been installed, a single computer system will cover both plant and collection area functions.

This Old House

Dan Gibbs Building and Remodeling Company has been refurbishing the now departed Bakers' (Gould Academy) home on Elm Street for the past few weeks. Old time Bethel Theatre fans would probably call it the old Zallen House. Actually it is one of

OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Aug. 13

At 11:10 p.m. a caller on the Grover Hill Road in Bethel reported he had let a subject borrow a car earlier and it had not been returned. He was concerned for the subject's well being. Sgt. Tim Ontengco was assigned.

Wednesday, Aug. 14

At 9:12 a.m. a complainant on the Bethel Road in Bethel said he had a harassment order against a subject from whom he had just received a call. The complainant wanted to press charges. After Cpl. Justin Brown listened to the voice message and investigated, it was determined the call had been a pocket dial.

At 10:34 a.m. a scooter was found on the side of Songo Pond Road in Bethel and was turned in as lost property. Cpl. Justin Brown was assigned.

Thursday, Aug. 15

At 12:40 a.m. on the Intervale Road in Bethel Cpl. George Cayer arrested Nicholas Q. Smith, 31, of Bryant Pond for OUI.

At 11:24 a.m. a business on the Mayville Road in Bethel reported the theft of merchandise. Deputy Mike Halacy was assigned.

At 12:41 a.m. a report was received of a serious motor vehicle crash on the easterly end of the Intervale Road in Bethel. The driver had minor injuries, but the car was a total loss. Cpl. George Cayer responded.

At 3:42 p.m. a complaint was received of a tractor trailer truck passing on a double line in a 35 mph zone in West Bethel. Deputy Matt Noyes located the vehicle and issued a speeding summons. The driver was also spoken to about the complaint made against him.

At 3:48 p.m. a complaint was received of a tractor trailer passsing on the right at high speed on Route 2 in Bethel. Deputy Matt Noyes was assigned.

At 5:10 p.m. a report was received of a two-vehicle, property-damage accident on Main Street in Bethel. Deputy Matt Noyes and Sgt. Tim Holland responded.

At 6 :21 p.m. Deputy Matt Noyes and other officers responded to the Baker Road in Albany for a report that a resident had just interrupted a burglary and when he confronted the suspects they pulled a rifle on him.

Officer served subpoenas in Albany, Woodstock, Bethel, Hanover, and Gilead through the day.

Friday, Aug. 16

At 6:47 a.m. a caller reported an assault on Church Street in Andover. Deputy Chris Davis was assigned.

At 1:45 p.m. a gas driveoff was reported on the Mayville Road in Bethel. Deputy Mike Dailey was assigned.

At 5:09 p.m. a report was received of chickens in the roadway on Elm Street in Bethel. Deputy Nate Bowie was assigned.

At 5:25 p.m. a report was received of two subjects having a verbal altercation on the Bog Road in Gilead. Cpl. George Cayer and Deputy Nathan Bowie learned from a resident it was a minor argument and both subjects had gone home.

At 11:09 p.m. on Route 2 in Hanover Cpl. George Cayer stopped and gave a motorist a speeding summons for traveling 72 mph in a 40 mph zone.

Saturday, Aug. 17

At 12:44 a.m. Deputies Andy Whitney, Dani Welch and Nathan Bowie responded to Gilead for a report of suspicious activity and a possible party. Two minors were summonsed for illegal possession of liquor by a minor.

At 12:26 p.m. on Mayville Road in Bethel Deputies Chris Davis and Mike Dailey assisted a subject who had fallen while dismounting a motorcycle.

At 3:45 p.m. Deputy Mike Dailey received information on possible drug activity on the Parkway in Bethel.

At 8:15 p.m. on Grover Hill Road/Flat Road in Mason Deputy Dave Hodgson arrested Susan Peratta of Bethel for disorderly conduct.

At 8:59 p.m. an Army officer reported a burglary at the Bog Brook Training Facility in Gilead. Cpl. George Cayer responded and investigated.

At 10:10 p.m. a report was received of eight cows walking on Route 26 in Bethel. Deputy Dave Hodgson was assigned.

Sunday, Aug. 18

At 12:40 a.m. a report was received of possible gunshots on Thistle Street in Upton.

At 3:33 p.m. a caller in Massachusetts was concerned she had forgotten to turn her stove off in Bethel. Deputy Josh Wyman checked the stove and camp and it was all set.

At 4:18 p.m. Cpl. Justin Brown observed two trucks racing on Route 2 in Bethel. He stopped both and found drug paraphernalia in one. Both drivers were summonsed.

Monday, Aug. 19

At 2:20 p.m. Deputy Dani Welch responded to a rear-end traffic accident at Bailey/Walkers Mills Road in Bethel. There were no injuries.

At 3:12 p.m. a complainant reported speeding vehicles and tractor trailers on Route 2 in Bethel. Deputy Dani Welch was assigned.

At 6:07 p.m. a caller reported a vehicle fire on the Intervale Road, not near any structures. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded.

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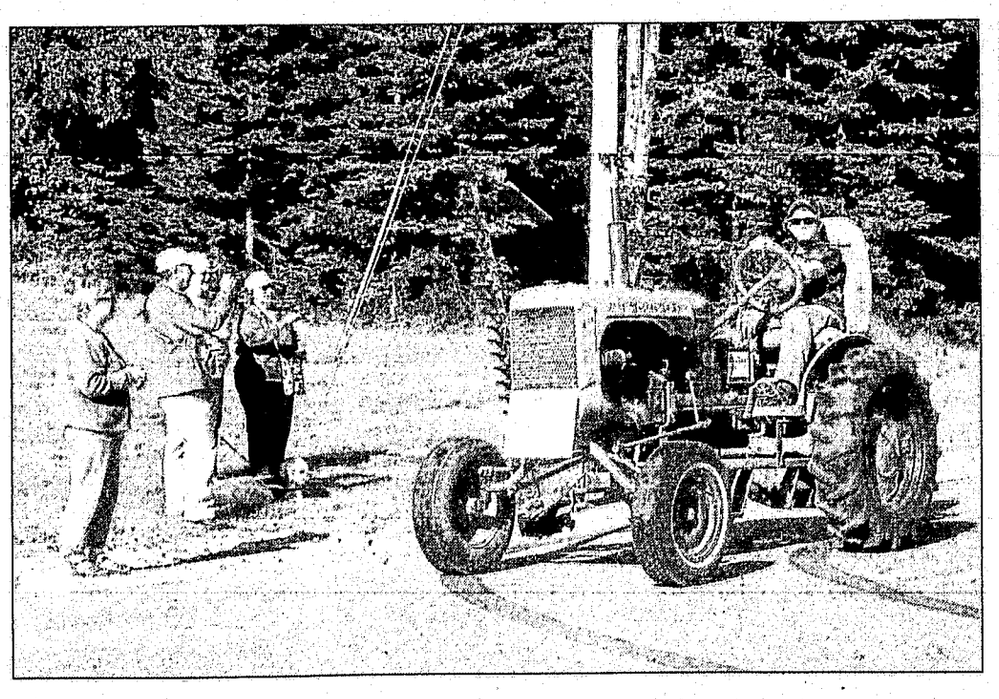

Upton Fun Day Saturday included a parade. Among the participants were Nancy Thew on her horse and Cody Phillips of North Waterford on his tractor. For more on the day see Upton column. *(Joe Bernier)*

the oldest houses in Bethel village probably built in the 1830s. Then it was Sylvester Robertson's (1815-1905) home. It sat back a ways from but faced Main Street. Louis and Florice Paul lived there while Louis was projectionist for the theatre.

Anyway Mr. Gibbs has discovered some building treasures that he showed me recently. One of the upgrades was to replace all the windows with energy efficient ones. Some of the old windows had sash weights and the window frames had been reconstructed to provide channels for the weights to travel up and down; other windows had "cam locks" that allowed the window to be raised and locked in position. A UK Web page on sash history reported that use of sash weights goes back to the 17th century when glass was expensive to make and windows were made with six small panes per sash section.

Another find was an instance where a brace for part of the old house frame was made from a Poplar tree trunk section that still had bark on it and had been squared on just two sides by hand tools. One of the front rooms had flooring of 12-inch plus wide boards. And other wide board find was on the outside back wall where a board looked to be wider than a foot; Dan brought his tape measure out to check and it was 16 and one-half inches wide. One could tell from the saw marks that it had come from a saw mill which operated the saw up and down as the log was moved against the saw.

New House Rising on High Street

Information from the Bethel CEO says the new home going up on High Street is owned by Jennine Carrier and the builder is Schiavi Homes.

Mollyockett – the Massachusetts Connection

In 1957 the Bethel Bazaar folks wanted to spiff up the Bazaar to join in the celebration of Mayflower II sailing from England to Plymouth, Mass. So the group adopted Mollyockett as the new Bazaar name.

Recently Massachusetts news reported that Plymouth businesses were thrilled that Mayflower II was out of dry dock after 8 months of reconditioning – Plymouth hoped to see tourists (and their spending) return as before to see the historic ship.

Talking with Rick Davis last Friday, he told me that he had grown up in the Norwell-Plymouth area and his father had been in the boat building and repair business. Rick said on boarding the ship one would see his father's name on a plaque there.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN

This year's CROP Hunger Walk in Bethel will take place Oct. 6. A kick-off event, "Feeding the Hungry Locally and Globally" Community Potluck Dinner, will take place on Friday, Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. at the West Parish Congregational Church on Church Street in Bethel. Bring a dish to share or a donation for the Food Pantry. Information will be shared on local gardening efforts, the local Food Pantry, and Emergency Food Packs. The upcoming CROP Hunger Walk is part of a worldwide effort to eliminate hunger, which is sponsored by Church World Services. Religious groups, businesses, schools, and others raise money to help provide food, water, and resources such as seeds, tools, and animals to help in the fight against hunger. Local groups that participate can also decide to contribute up to 25 percent of monies raised to their local Food Pantries.

Monday, Aug. 26, is National Dog Day, also known as International Dog Day and National Dog Appreciation Day. The day was founded in 2004 to draw attention to dogs who need homes and to honor all dogs for their work, loyalty, and their ability to impact the lives of human beings. Some towns are having parades and other events to honor dogs. A great way to celebrate is to adopt or rescue a dog or give a donation to a local pet shelter. If you need some ideas, the National Dog Day website has a list of 50 ways to celebrate dogs on Aug. 26. You can find them at www.nationaldogday.com.

Aug. 26 has also been celebrated since 1920 as Women's Equality Day. It is the date that the 19th Amendment, making women's suffrage legal, was finally ratified.

This is the time of year that I always write about Box Tops for Education. That's because it's the start of the school year and the big stores are trying to reel in customers by advertising items sporting extra Box Tops. If you're not familiar with this, Box Tops for Education can be found on hundreds of products from cereal to toilet paper. Schools can collect the Box Tops for Education, as well as Campbell's Soup labels, and redeem them for sports and educational items. If you clip the coupons, you're bringing in equipment that the schools won't get through their regular budgets. In Bethel you can mail Box Tops and Labels to Crescent Park School. There's also a collection can at the Bethel Foodliner.

Road work on the 2.7 mile stretch of Route 26 between Davis Park and Hancock Lumber has progressed quickly. Work started on July 24 and by Aug. 18, the road and bike path were paved and lines painted. Before the work is completed, new guard rails need to be installed; entries to driveways need to be repaired and paved; and refuse, such as discarded guard rails, needs to be removed from the roadside. Other than that, the pavement is smoother than it has been in years. No potholes, fissures, or gullies.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN

August is almost over and the children will be going back to school next week. As always, remember to keep an eye out for them at the bus stops and watch for those flashing red lights on the school bus.

My brother, Steve McLain, has been hard at work at the SAD 44 Maintenance Garage getting those busses ready for the beginning of school. He has also been busy at home catching up on some mowing out near Route 2. He likes to keep the area around the Town of Gilead sign mowed.

Lise McLain went to lunch with the Senior Club last week. This month's meeting was held at Stony Brook Campground.

Last Saturday evening, Hugh and I joined Tim and Michele and the grandchildren, William, Annie and Sidney for a birthday celebration at the Shannon Door Restaurant in

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11:00 Doug Horne - Fisher & Martin Maine style
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1:00 Jim Geffert - PA style Fox Trapping
1:45 Dan Wagner - Beaver Maine Style
2:45 Larry Martin - Western style Cat Trapping
3:30 Fred Becker - CT Rat Trapping
4:30 Trapper Don - CT Gland Removal
5:00 Break Time - Supper
6:00 Mini Auction
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11:00 John Epter - Fur Market report
11:30 J.P. Wilson - Water animals
12:00 BREAK TIME • Kids Auction
1:00 Neil Olson - Skins two Beavers, fleshes one
1:30 Bob Noonan - Owner "Best Trapping" magazine in USA & Canada. Talks trapping in trees for Marten & Fisher
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Jackson, N.H. The occasion was Sidney's ninth birthday. Also attending were Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau and Michele's uncle, Tom. We had a great meal and lots of fun watching Sidney open her presents.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER

The Greenwood Highway Dept. dug several test pits at the site of the new town office on the Gore Road, and Town Manager Kim Sparks said it appears that the building can have a foundation. More to come on the schedule for this new office as information becomes available.

Greenwood property tax bills went out in the mail last Friday. If you have not received yours yet, you will. Oh, joy.

Fish fry Friday this week. It's getting on in the season so you'd better go while the fries are still happening. Greenwood Fire Station (Howe Hill Road) 3 to 6 p.m.

Here's an early heads-up. The local historical society will have a program on Greenwood City the first week of September. Mark your calendars for Sept. 4 at 7 p.m. More to come next week.

The Bethel Area District Exchange needs school clothing for children ages 6 to teenager. If you are cleaning out closets, please remember to donate any good used clothing to the District Exchange on Mason Street in Bethel or use the drop box in the Northeast Bank lobby.

All of us enjoy blaming things on the government, and we are usually in the right to do so. In particular are the State directional signs that say, "Locke Mills" without the "'s." I was quick to blame the State for incorrectly changing the name of our village from the correct Locke's Mills to Locke Mills. However, I think the blame may lie with DeLorme's Maine Atlas. They use Locke Mills in the Atlas. It's Locke's. In fact, 50-plus years ago, many people referred to this area as simply "Locke's." No Mills. OK. Who is the guilty party who dropped the "'s?"

Deer flies are in abundance this year and are hanging around a long time. Nothing seems to repel them, and these nasty biters are hard to kill. The females are the ones that bite (true of most species). That bite is painful, almost like a bee sting. They chew the skin causing bleeding which continues after they have left in search of another meal. Deer flies live in the woods and wetlands and seem to like to get into people's hair. As annoying as this can be, it is also the best time to destroy them while they are tangled in hair. Hate to say it but a good frost will take care of these pests and most of the others as well.

The small swamp maples are starting to show some red. As usual, they turn color a month or more before other deciduous trees. The times they are a changing.

Please send news to 3taichi6@gmail.com.

Andover

By JANE C. RICH

Don't forget the special Town Meeting this evening, August 22, in the Town Hall at 7 p.m. It's important that there be a big turnout so that the wishes of the general population be known regarding the three items to be voted on. Item one is funding for the removal, clean-up and replacement of diesel tanks at the Town Garage. This was necessitated by a leak. The other two articles concern the purchase of a new fire truck and funding for same.

The Free Lunch Program at the First Congregational Church has been a success this summer with 40 attending the last lunch on Aug. 13. The next lunch will be Tuesday, Sept. 10. The menu is ham and scalloped potatoes, coleslaw, homemade rolls and assorted desserts. The lunches take place at 12 noon and are sponsored by the People in Action Committee, a group of local citizens:

A former Andover resident, Roberta Abbott Haney's family, Marcia Cox of Concord, N.C., Norma and Jennifer Gevaltney of Frankfort, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cox and daughter of Salt Lake City, Utah spent a week recently vacationing at the Meisner cottage on Howard Pond in Hanover. The last time they were in the Andover area was 30 years ago.

On Aug. 10, nearly 70 family members and friends gathered for a going away party for Buddy Simmons, son of Bill Simmons and Amanda White. Lots of delicious food was served and there were horseshoe games and guitar music enjoyed by all. The celebration was held at Uncle Greg's home in South Andover. Buddy, a 2013 graduate, leaves for Alaska on Aug. 31 for the adventure of a lifetime. Good luck Bud!

On Saturday I journeyed to Upton for Fun Day. The reading of the Civil War letters between Stephen and Lydia Richards took place in the church and was a glimpse into the life and times of that tumultuous time in our history. The Ladies Aid Society celebrated their 100th birthday with cake and homemade ice cream for all those in attendance. Congratulations to the Upton residents for putting on such a wonderful day of events particularly the Upton Historical Society. The day was capped off by a special worship service at 5 p.m. in the church. Worship occurs each Sunday at 5 p.m. in the Upton Union Church.

Eight 4-H members from Maine recently attended Citizenship Washington Focus, a national 4-H citizenship and leadership program offering youth the chance to learn about the democratic process and gain a greater understanding of their role as citizens. The 4-Hers are Ella and Lucien Sulloway of Bridgton; Melinda White of Norway; Alice Pelletier of Hanover; Anthony Whitman of West Paris; Sullivan Tidd and Nick Hall of Casco; and Nicole Auger of Harrison.4-H club leaders Phil Catanese of Bryant Pond and Misty Sulloway of Bridgton traveled with the delegates to Washington, D.C. While in Washington, participants learned about becoming youth mentors in leadership, gained understanding about how government works and met members of Maine's Congressional delegation. 4-H is the youth development program of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension.

(Submitted photo)

Upton

By JOE BERNIER

Upton "Fun Day" was a success. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The food was very good and the entertainment was great. The Bridge Tones singers were one of the highlights of the day.

The winners of the Ladies Aid raffle were; Bonnie Reilly (quilt), Gail M. (cord of firewood), other prizes were won by Sissa Pitkin, John Angevine, Wanda Hall, Jane Rich, Joanne Bean, Norm Beauvais and Howard Burnell.

The winner of the Upton Historical Society raffle for the wood-burned coffee table was Vicky Phillips.

Thank you to everyone that helped the various organizations and to everyone that joined us for our "Fun Day"

The Historical Society has planned a tour of Louise Dickinson Rich's Historic homes. The tour will be Saturday, Sept. 7. For more information or to purchase tickets please call Charlotte 207-533-2061.

The society will meet Sunday, Aug. 25, 3 p.m. at the school.

Upton Planning Board will meet Friday, Aug. 30.

Ariel Crady accepted a ring and proposal from Nicholas Bernier on Saturday, Aug. 17. Congratulations to you both.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Waterford

BY ROCKIE GRAHAM

Summer has returned; at least in the daytime. Nights and early mornings have still been chilly but the forecasters say it will be warm all week. But before we know it, it will be fall. Don't tell David. He sees fall and thinks winter. So mum is the word.

The duck (Gertrude) and the chicken (Lefty) continue to amuse us and all who stop by. They are together all the time. When we came home, Lefty was on the porch and seeing us arrive, Gertrude started quacking LOUDLY so Lefty would know we were home and she would know to get off the porch. In the end, I left them alone and they left the porch on their own. Gertrude goes into her house after dark, although this time of year that is still a little late and means one of us often has to go back out and lock her into the house. That is necessary to keep her safe from predators that might want her for their supper.

Thursday Aug. 22 at 10 a.m. ACOA meets at the Waterford Library. This is a discussion group and all adult children are welcome. For more information please call 739-9115.

Saturday, I had a day off because I switched with Joe so he could celebrate Gerry's birthday with her, Glo and I went yard sailing. That is tiring. Getting in and out of the truck had me beat for the day by 12 noon. Heading home, with all kinds of things we need for the house on Pike's Hill, I saw a car on the grass at the side of our house. Soon there was a knock and it was an old friend from the country. She had a lot to say about the impending problems with a possible earthquake at Fukushima, Japan. That is near Tokyo. If the remaining plants melt down like the others did, that could mean more contamination in Seattle because from Japan, the currents would begin to cross the Pacific to the west coast of this country. The trade winds might too. Google Fukushima and see what you find out.

Thursday, Aug. 22, there will be a church supper in Albany. Doors open at 5 p.m. and supper starts at 5:30 p.m. Baked beans, salads, pies, casseroles, rolls and brown bread will all be available. Cost is $7 for adults and $4 for children 12 and under. Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund. On Sept. 5, there will be another one.

Hard to believe it but the kids will be back in school and just a little more than a week, less when you read this. Aug. 28 for SAD 17.

Sept. 4/5 starts Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year. Happy High Holy Days to all my Jewish friends.

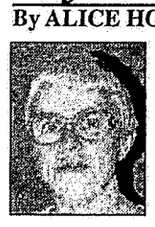
Sept. 12 at the Alan Day Community Garden, there is a seed saving, Harvest Party. From 3 to 5 p.m. Scott Vlau will run the workshop then there will be a pot luck meal, music and a campfire from 5 to7 p.m. Come learn about saving seeds so they will be safe next year even if Fukushima blows.

There is a new Farmers' Market in Waterford on Monday's from 3 to 6 p.m. More details next week.

That is all for this week. Sorry if forgot anything. Please call with your stories, 739-9115.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW met on Monday, Aug. 12 at the Grange Hall. A 6 p.m. picnic supper was enjoyed. A few members of Tent 8, Norway, Tent 19, Stoneham and two Sons of Veterans (SUVCW) joined us. No meeting was held, but a flag disposal ceremony was held following the picnic. Next meeting is Sept. 9. There will be a reception for Dept. President Elsie Bonney at the Grange Hall on Saturday, Sept. 21.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service.

I was sorry to hear of the death of Betty Lord. She and Roland were longtime residents of the area. Sym-

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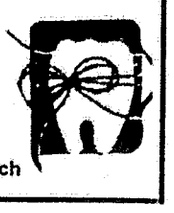

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pathy is extended to her son and all her family.

The Woodstock Fire Dept. held their family picnic at Tom Hartford's on Wednesday evening. There was a lot of delicious food, plus a pretty anniversary cake for Ken and me. It was a very enjoyable time.

On Sunday, Marybeth Hoover and T.J. Ray were dinner guests of her grandparents, Ken and Alice Hoyt. On Wednesday, Joseph and Maggie Hoyt visited their grandparents, Ken and Alice Hoyt and parents, Jim and Charlene Hoyt. Maggie stayed until Friday.

Sympathy is extended to the Stowell family on the death of their brother, David.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ

Do hope everyone is enjoying this just about perfect weather... cool temps at night for good sleeping, warming up during the day and a gentle breeze keeping the bugs away. Could we ask for more?

Gloria Crockett was gone all last weekend. Glad to see that she is starting to follow in her Mom's footsteps, haha. She and Esther went to visit their sister, Judy, in Surry. They had a wonderful time together.

Myself, I am pleased to say that I went to the Camp and Toby Walker cooked up some awesome ribs on the grill! Let's not forget the burgers and dogs (red, as they should be in Maine, LOL). Oh, and good corn and beans on the side. Afterwards I spent the night at Debbie and Owen Brown's. Sunday they took me along to Church and then to work. Thank you all so very much for a great weekend.

It is Trapper's Weekend!!! Neil, again, did a great job with signage etc. It will be another great weekend, learning, sharing, competing and families/friends spending some good time together.

This week, rather than the usual Trivia question, I will substitute a request for as much information as possible. MGM Trustee, Steve Seames, is looking for stories and memories and artifacts, such as bricks and brick molds for photographing for an exhibit on brick making in Bethel and Maine for a possible Museum/Village exhibit here in Bethel. Please, call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net. Let's help and be part of making this a success. Am looking forward to hear about this and, naturally, all your other news also.

Have a great week.

Albany

BY KATHY BENNETT

Greetings once again from beautiful Albany. I am finally home after a busy summer of traveling and camping. I spent one week at First Roach Pond at Jen's family camp with Jen, Doug and Bella. Sister, Chris Cole joined us for a couple days. We had a good time despite the rainy weather.

Two days after we got back we packed up and headed to Sebasticook Lake in Newport where we camped while Doug and other teachers from SAD 44 attended a Three-day workshop at Nekomis High school. We had beautiful weather and enjoyed the campground and our camper. Now we are all home getting ready for school to start on Aug. 28. It is nice to have the road paved all the way to the Waterford line.

Jane Wardwell took her nieces and great nieces to see Mary Poppins at the theater in Brunswick one day last week.

On Saturday, Jane Wardwell, Danni Jean Collins, and Heather Reynolds had a baby shower for Jessica Reynolds Nye at the Albany church.

Margaret Barton attended the Vintage Clothes Program on Friday. Norma Salway and her sisters put on a very nice program showing clothes from many years ago that they found in a trunk in her mother's attic. Guests also brought items to share. A nice lunch was served. Summer is drawing to a close and fall is lingering in the wings. I was happy to hear the crickets chirping away as I closed the windows last evening. Have a great weekend everyone!

South Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM

Friday Aug. 16, 10:20 a.m. Good sunny morning to y' all – it's a nice day and the temperature is at 56 degrees here this morning.

The Down East Country Music Association will be holding their 33rd. Annual Awards show on Sunday, Aug. 25 from 12 noon to 5 p.m.

The Bethel United Methodist Church welcomed special guests at their Sunday worship service on Aug. 11 - Abraham and Sarah. Abraham announced to Sarah that God had told them to pack up their household and move. They shared their faith and trust in God's promise of future generations, even though they were an aging childless couple, who didn't know where they were headed or how long it would take. Jim and Naomi Robertson portrayed the couple. *(Submitted photo)*

This will be held at the Silver Spur on route 121 in Mechanic Falls. Admission for the afternoon is $7 for adults and $3 for the competitors and children under 12.

There will be a food bar with all your favorite goodies and drinks, plus a 50/50 drawing and raffles.

Lots of great entertainment throughout the afternoon along with presentation of awards. FMI: Jackie at 793-8884.

Condolences to the families of Carol Stowell, David P. Stowell, Sammie Giles and Karol Martin. Our love and prayers to each family member.

A great group attended our weekly summer concert in Mexico last evening – at one time I counted 37 folks sitting in the audience. There was no power to the stage for the first hour but thanks to Calvin Burgess he got it restored for us. The folks moved down in front of the stage so as to hear us and they all stayed to the end.

A very special thanks to our group of supporters who turn out every week to hear us. We are always pleased to see you and to keep in touch with you throughout the summer months.

Charlene Kimball and Karen Dodge were the lucky winners of the gift certificates for Dave's Sauna last week.

Yogi won a gift card from Doe's, I won a Pepsi T-shirt and Craig Moore won a nice ice cooler at Doe's open house last week.

Get well wishes to Jim Cossar – you are in our daily prayers.

Well, that's all from the valley this week – enjoy each day and stay well.

how frequently a loon will be swimming around their dock. I believe that loons know when friends are about, and may actually enjoy our company if we behave in a nonthreatening way. Unfortunately I have witnessed a few people in speed boats harassing the loon and one autumn day I actually intervened putting my kayak between a loon that was being tormented by local folks in a speed boat. The motive behind this bullying behavior escapes me since so many of us lean into the "Spirit of the North" with gratitude for having these birds in our lives for a few precious months each year.

Michaud guest at Dems picnic

Congressman Mike Michaud will be the guest of honor at the Oxford County Democrats annual Summer BBQ fundraiser on Sunday, Aug. 25 at the University of Maine 4-H Camp and Learning Center on Lake Christopher in Bryant Pond. Michaud recently announced his candidacy for Governor of Maine. Bangor City Councilman Joe Baldacci and State Senator Emily Cain of Orono, candidates for the Second Congressional District will be in attendance, as will Democratic National Committeeman Phil Bartlett of Gorham.

The event will begin with a social time on the waterfront followed by dinner of hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, salads, and dessert in the dining hall and remarks by the guests, and by Democratic officeholders. Tickets for the event are $20 per person, and may be reserved by calling 875-2116, or e-mailing info@oxforddems.org.

Recent activities by the Oxford County Democrats included an excellent day at the Dixfield Outdoor market.

Senator John Patrick greeted many constituents, and he, as well as volunteers Bob Duplessie of Andover, Cathy Newell of Greenwood, Jimmy and Brenda McHugh of Mexico, Barbara Arsenault of Rumford and Bruce Bryant of Dixfield conducted a successful yard sale to benefit the Oxford County Democrats. Plans are in the works for Buckfield Community Day on Labor Day, as well as the fall fairs.

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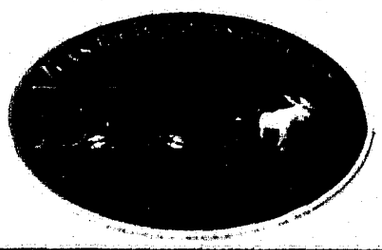

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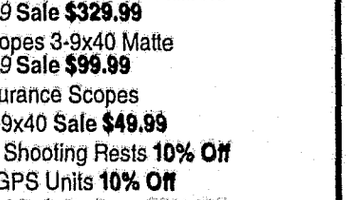

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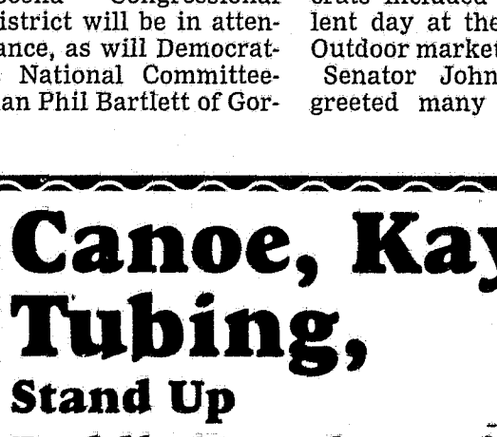

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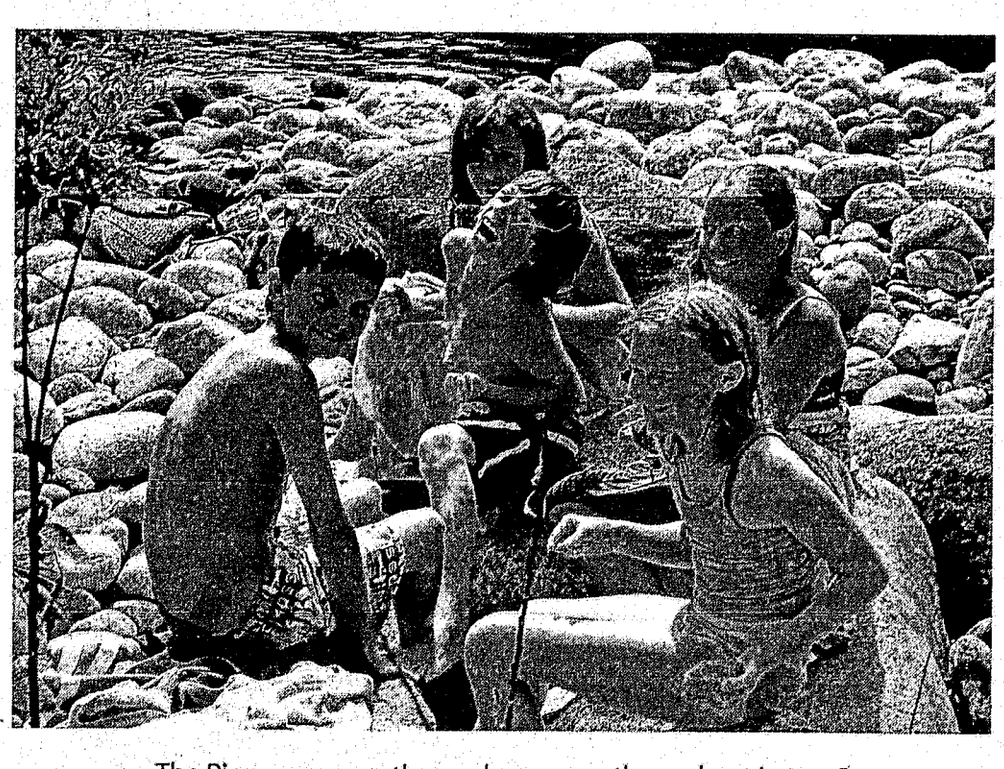
From the Director

What a wonderful "Where the Wild Things Are" summer we had at Mahoosuc Kids! As we were watching the summer slide show, it is hard not to get emotional about all the places we have been, all the new friendships made, new experiences had, and how much fun we had with our theme weeks and theme days! We have the whole community to thank for always having an open door and allowing our kids to enjoy summer in Bethel.

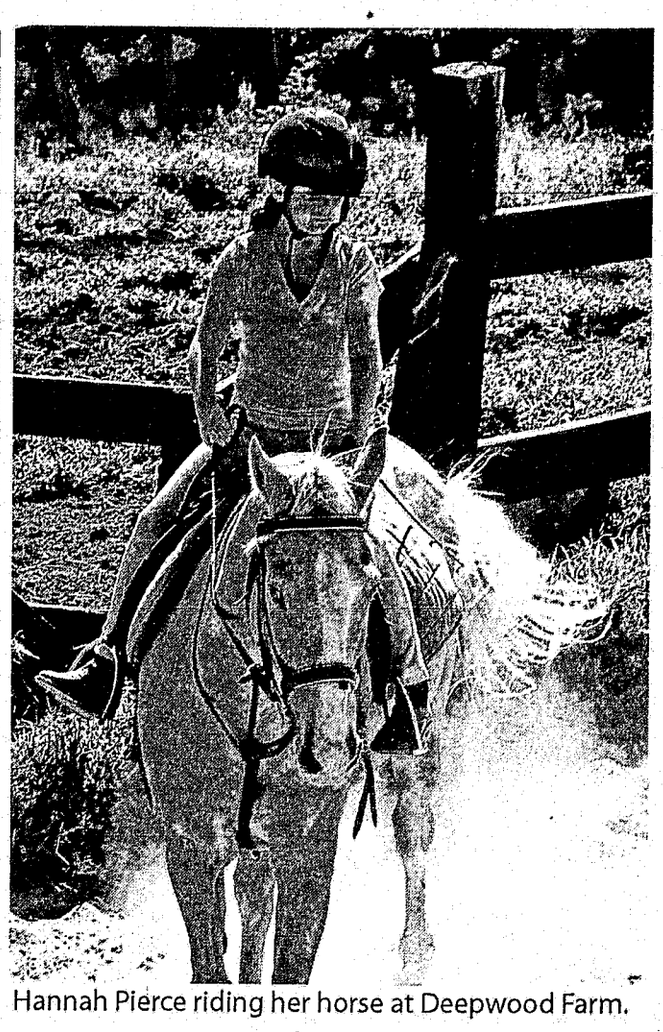
Thanks to Northeast Bank for helping us with our Mollyockett Day float and for presenting MKA with a donation for summer scholarships. Many thanks to our staff who made every day fun and exciting for the kids. Also a big thank you to SAD 44 staff who worked around us at CPS, cooked for us, and to the bus garage and drivers that always accommodated our large numbers and rainy days. Most of all, thank you to the parents who let us spend time with your children this summer.

The calendar says that school will be starting soon and we want parents to know that all MKA sites will be open on Wednesday, August 28th. Enrollment packets are available in school offices and at the Mahoosuc Kids website at www.mahoosuckids.org. Enjoy the rest of summer vacation!

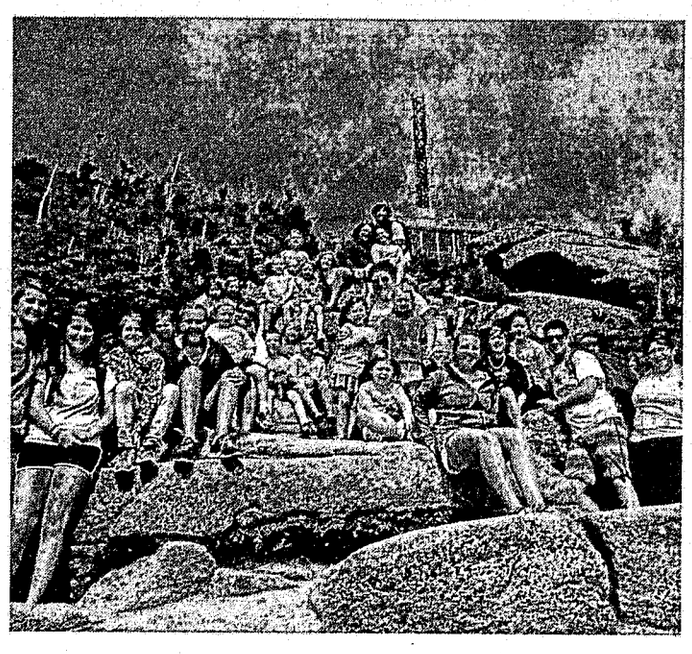
Julie Hart,
MKA Director



The Pioneers warm themselves up on the rocks at Letter S.



Hannah Pierce riding her horse at Deepwood Farm.



Summer staff and children stop to pose for a group photo on the Ridge Trail at the top of Cannon Mountain.

Katherine, Chaia, Hannah, and Samantha on their horses at Deepwood Farm.

The Explorers wait for the waves at Crescent Beach State Park.

Jocelyn Nivus makes rollerskating look easy.

Olivia Seames caught a Monarch Butterfly at the Desert of Maine.

Leah, Morgan, Brooklyn, and Ian play in the sand at Crescent Beach State Park.

Lidia, Kristine, and Adaline ride the Aerial Tramway at Cannon Mountain.

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District Exchange; Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4 p.m., Thursday 4 to 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours – No exceptions. FMI: 824-4090. Clothing may also be left at Northeast Bank, Main Street, Bethel Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Food Pantry; Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0349).

Alzheimer's Support Group; Rumford Community Home, 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. Meetings held the third Wednesday of every month, 6 to 7:30 p.m. FMI: Sue Ellen Richardson or Terry Drury (364-7863).

Aug. 22 through 31

Guided Tours of the Dr. Moses Mason House; 1 to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Tours may be arranged during the remainder of the year by calling (207) 824-2908. Adults/$3, Children 6 to 12/$1.50, under 6/free. Family rate: $7. Bethel Historical Society Members, free.

Pictures Serene and Sublime: Traditional White Mountain Art Recaptured; Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. This exhibition will feature a variety of White Mountain landscapes, including several from the collection of the Jackson, N.H., Historical Society. The contemporary works by artists Koeppel and Sansaricq will be available for purchase (proceeds benefit the Bethel Historical Society).

Aug. 22 through 24

37th annual Trappers' Weekend; 760 East Bethel Road. Demonstrations, contests, music, auction and more. FMI: 875-5765.

Thursday, Aug. 22

Albany Church Supper; Doors open at 5 p.m., supper starts at 5:30. Baked beans, salads, pies, casseroles, rolls, brown bread. 50/50 Raffle. $7/adults, $4/children 12 and under.

Special Andover Town Meeting; 7 p.m., Andover Town Hall. Items to be voted on include funding the removal, cleanup and replacement of diesel tanks at the Town Garage and the purchase and funding of a new fire truck.

Friday, Aug. 23

"Feeding the Hungry – Locally and Globally" Community Potluck; 6 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Bring a dish to share. The Local Food Connection will share information on local gardening efforts. Information on the Bethel Food Pantry and the Emergency Food Packs will be shared. This is a kick-off for the CROP Walk (Communities Respond to Overcome Poverty), which supports the work of Church World Service, scheduled for Oct. 6 in Bethel.

Saturday, Aug. 24

3rd Annual Golf Tournament; 9 a.m., Fairlawn Golf Course, Poland. Presented by the Western Maine Veterans' Advisory Committee to benefit residents at the Maine Veterans Home in South Paris. WMVAC is still accepting players and sponsors. All golfers will be entered into a drawing for one try at a $1 million hole-in-one shot. There is also a hole-in-one prize of a new car sponsored by Goodwin's Chevrolet. $75 per person to register. FMI/Registration: Ron Snow (744-9156) or e-mail golferbowler2001@yahoo.com.

Life of the Honeybee; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Maine Wildlife Park. Learn about Maine's State Insect, its job as an important pollinator of fruits and vegetables, and the role of the beekeeper. Parts of a beehive, beekeeping equipment and a small observation hive will be on display, and several experienced beekeepers will be available to answer your questions. Pure Maine Honey and other products of the hive will be for sale.

Public Supper; 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., West Bethel Union Church. $8/adults, $3/children under 12.

Home Composting; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., U. Maine 4-H Camp, Bryant Pond. A how-to workshop with Brian Lenberg.

McLaughlin Garden Benefit Auction; 6 p.m., 97 Main Street, South Paris. Admission: $30/advance, $40 at the door – includes fine food, a drink, music, and unlimited bidding opportunities. A cash bar will be available for additional beverages. All items are being posted online so that everyone can have a chance to see what is available and bid. FMI/reservations: 743-8820. Tickets may also be purchased at the Gift Shop located at the McLaughlin property. View and bid online at http://mclaughlingarden.wordpress.com/2013-trips-treasures/.

Mark Thallander and Glenda Morrow-Winkler Concert on the Hill; 7 p.m., First Baptist Church of Paris, 500 Paris Hill Road on the Common. $10 per person. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Church fund, which is currently renovating the building.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street South Paris. Old fashioned dance music. Adults $5.

Sunday, Aug. 25

Down East Country Music Association Awards Show; 12 to 5 p.m., the Silver Spur, Mechanic Falls. Lots of great entertainment throughout the afternoon along with the presentation of awards. Food concessions will be open. 50/50 and raffles. FMI: Jackie 793-8884.

Retirement/Birthday Celebration for Stan Howe; 2 to 4 p.m. on the grounds of the Dr. Moses Mason House. Open to the public.

Just us Two (Jo Plummer and Bob Gauthier; 4 p.m., Bethel Common. Jo and Bob will perform songs from the 1960s through the present.

Oxford County Democrats BBQ Fundraiser; U. Main 4-H Camp, Bryant Pond. The event will begin with a social time on the waterfront followed by dinner of hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, salads, and dessert in the dining hall and remarks by the guests, and by Democratic officeholders. Tickets for the event are $20 per person, and may be reserved by calling 875-2116, or emailing info@oxforddems.org.

Tuesday, Aug. 27

Public Supper; 5 to 6:30 p.m., North Waterford Church. Homemade casseroles, local vegetables, salads, baked beans, brown bread and more; featuring a variety of homemade pies for dessert. $8/adults, $4/children under 12. All are welcome.

Five nights of international Celtic performances concludes; 7 p.m., with Samantha Robishaud at the Bingham Hall, 45 Church Street, Gould Academy. Series is presented by the Mahoosuc Arts Council in partnership with New England Celtic Arts. Tickets, $15; purchase online at www.mahoosucarts.org or reserve at 207-890-6386.

Wednesday, Aug. 28

Free Community Supper; 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road. FMI: 824-2289.

Aug. 30 through Sept. 2

End of Summer Flea Market; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Pleasant Valley Grange, West Bethel. Glass, fabric, clothing, books, odds and ends.

Friday, Aug. 30

Hymn Sing; 7 p.m., Pinhook Meeting House, Route 232, Bryant Pond. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments to follow.

Saturday, Aug. 31

Landscape for Wildlife with Skillin's Greenhouses; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Maine Wildlife Park. Expert native landscaping staff will be on hand from Skillin's Greenhouses with a variety of potted native shrubs, trees and plants that are suitable for planting in our yards.

Scribner's Sawmill and Homestead Tours; 1 to 4 p.m., Jesse Mill Road, Harrison. Entrance is free; however, donations are welcomed and used for the continued restoration of the site. FMI/private tours: 583-6455.

Garden to Table, Trick your kids into eating healthy; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., U. Maine 4-H Camp, Bryant Pond. A how-to workshop with Meryl Kelly.

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., Legion Hall, Church Street South Paris. Old fashioned dance music. Adults $5.

Sunday, Sept. 1

Countryfolk Closing Weekend; 12 to 6 p.m., Countryfolk Music Theatre, East Dixfield. Countryfolk Reunion No. 2 and Johnny Cash Appreciation day, Johnny Cash lookalike contest, and Country Sunday. Potluck dinner featuring baked beans and corn on the cob. Rain or shine. FMI: 645-4411.

DaPonte String Quartet Concert on the Hill; 4 p.m., First Baptist Church of Paris, 500 Paris Hill Road on the Common. $10 per person. Proceeds benefit the Friends of the Church fund, which is currently renovating the building.

Wednesday, Sept. 4

Greenwood Historical Society Meeting; 7 p.m., Historical building, Main Street, Locke's Mills. Program: "History of Greenwood City," by Blaine Mills. Everyone is welcome.

Thursday, Sept. 5

Albany Church Supper; Doors open at 5 p.m., supper starts at 5:30. Baked beans, salads, pies, casseroles, rolls, brown bread. 50/50 Raffle. $7/adults, $4/children 12 and under. Proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund.

Saturday, Sept. 7

NRCM/BOA Androscoggin River Paddle; 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Meet at Bethel Outdoor Adventures, shuttle to Gilead and enjoy a 10-mile paddle. Bring a lunch. Kayaks ($45) and canoes ($65) are available to rent at BOA. Registration is $20. Space is limited to 40 people. FMI: www.nrcm.org or 430-0115.

"Hollywood Homicide," a murder mystery production; Four Seasons Function Center, Main Street, South Paris. Doors open at 6 p.m. Show starts at 7 p.m. "Mystery for Hire" will host the dinner theater show as a fundraiser for the Norway-Paris Kiwanis Club. Tickets: $40/person. FMI/ticket purchases: Tina Croteau (393-3612) or Mary Anna Palmer (539-4800).

SAD 44 bus runs 2013/2014 year

School starts Aug. 28, 2013

ALBANY

Bus 50 – run starts 6:23 a.m. .

Route 35, Hatstat Road to Hunts Corner Road, Wardwell Road at 6:48 to Route 5 at 7:09 to Woodsman's Loop to Patty Brook Road, to Route 5 and on to CPS 7:30 THS 7:35

ANDOVER

Bus 4 – run starts 6:34 a.m. from AES.

Covered Bridge Road, East Andover back to Roxbury Pond Road at 6:52, East Andover, North Andover, Wyman Hill Road at 7:00, North Andover, Upton Road at 7:18, South Andover, and back to AES at 7:45.

Bus 19 – run starts 6:16 a.m. from Francis Yates' home (850 S. Main)

South Arm Road to East Andover Road at 6:32, to Farmers Hill to East Andover Road at 6:48, then to Route 2 at 6:58, to Mayville Road at 7:25, Bethel, CPS at 7:29 and THS at 7:36.

Bus 31 – run starts at 6:22 a.m. AES

Pine Street, Upton Road, North Main Street at 6:34, Sawyer Notch Road to Littlehale Road at 6:35 to Wyman Hill Road, to North Main to South Main at 6:41, Route 5 to Route 2, Hanover, to Howard Pond Road/Mill Hill Road at 7:09, to Route 2 to THS at 7:27, to CPS at 7:36.

BETHEL

Bus 2 – run starts 6:45 a.m.

Vernon Street to Remington's 6:55, Irish Neighborhood to Paradise at 7:04, Mason/Chapman Streets at 7:14 , to Intervale Road to Stevens Road 7:22, THS 7:32 CPS 7:42.

Bus 03 – starts 6:23 a.m. from garage

Intervale Road from Carter's Farm to Rumford Town Line at 6:57, East Bethel Road to Locke's Mills 7:28, THS 7:33 CPS 7:40.

SUNDAY RIVER/ WEST BETHEL

Bus 11 – run starts 6:22 a.m.

Sunday River Road at 6:27, Douglas Road 6:41, Skiway Road 6:48, Route 2 West at 6:58 Barker Road 7:07, Route 2 West to Campground at 7:12, back to Flat Road to Liberty Lane, Mountain View Circle to Route 2, Annis Road at 7:23, Route 2, Railroad Street at 7:30, to THS/TMS at 7:34 then CPS at 7:41.

WEST BETHEL/GILEAD

Bus 22 – run starts 6:37 a.m. from Pleasant River Motel.

Route 2 west of Campground, Bog Road, Gilead, West on North Road at 6:55, East on North Road, Ellington Mtn. Road at 7:18, Mayville Road at 7:26, Church Street, CPS at 7:32, to TMS/THS at 7:38.

WEST BETHEL/ MASON/ALBANY

Bus 20 – run starts 6:29 a.m. from Chet Herrick's home.

Flat Road from W. Bethel Children's Center, Mason Township, to Grover Hill Road at 6:43, Songo Pond Road to Baker Road at 7:05, Songo Road , Skillings Road at 7:17, Mill Hill Road to CPS at 7:30 to THS/TMS at 7:36.

BETHEL/ GREENWOOD

Bus 26 – run starts 6:26 a.m.

Route 26, Gore Road 6:37, McCrillis Brook Road, Gore Road 6:40, Route 232, turning at Buck's 7:00, Rumford Avenue, WES 7:13, Route 26, THS/TMS 7:30, CPS 7:40.

*Woodstock and CPS Elementary students will ride this bus.

Bus 14 – run starts 6:14 a.m.

Rowe Hill, Twitchell Pond, to Greenwood Road 6:40, turn around at Greenwood Highway Department, Greenwood Road, Howe Hill Road 6:44, Route 26, Bird Hill. Route 26 at 7:12, top of Chandler Hill Road at 7:23, THS at 7:31 and CPS at 7:44.

UPTON/NEWRY

Bus 5 – run starts 6:13 a.m. from John Aron's home in Upton.

Upton, to Newry 6:38, Lone Pine Road 6:53, Route 2 as far as Sunday River Road, Cross Street at 7:16, Bailey Road 7:25, THS at 7:30, CPS at 7:36.

GREENWOOD/ WOODSTOCK

Bus 23 – run starts 6 a.m. from Eddies Road in Locke's Mills.

Greenwood Road, Hayes Hill Road, to Richardson Hollow Road 6:34, Alcohol Mary Road, 6:47, Old County Road, Church Street, South Main Street, Route 232, Rumford Avenue to WES at 7:18 to drop WES students and get TMS/THS students from Bus 16, then on to TMS/THS at 7:35.

WOODSTOCK

Bus 16 – run begins 6:03 a.m. from WES.

Rumford Avenue, Route 232, Route 26, Route 219 to Estes Road at 6:24, Route 219, Route 26 to Paige's Place, Andrews Road at 6:37, Koskela Rd, Harbor Road to Perkins Valley at 6:55, Cushman Road, Route 26, Route 232, Rumford Avenue to WES at 7:18.

Bus 24 – run starts 5:50 a.m. from Bus Garage. Route 232, Route 26 South, Curtis Hill 6:02, Black Brook Rd 6:17, Route 26, Dudley Road 6:26, South Main, Birch Street, Rowe Hill 6:36, Sheepskin Bog 6:42, Hobbs Pond Road 6:52, Railroad Street, North Main turning at ball field 7:08, Rumford Avenue, WES 7:20. Leave elementary students and receive students from Bus 16, then onto North Main Street to TMS/THS at 7:36.

See notes below:

Woodstock THS/TMS town students will meet Bus 24 at the Bryant Pond Post Office.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, bus pick up times may vary from the scheduled times.

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Local Food Connection news

Last week I had the pleasure of being a part of Mattie Rose Templeton's whimsical and endearing mural project at the Local Hub. She asked a few area children to help her create a work of art which celebrates local food. It will be displayed at the Local Hub when it is finished. Look for it some and hopefully you too will be inspired.

Local Food Connection Workshop Series:

All workshops start at 5:30 p.m. at the locations listed.

Aug. 24 – Brian Lenberg – Composting soils at Bryant Pond 4-H.

Aug. 31 – Meryl Kelly – Garden to table (kid specific) at Bryant Pond 4-H.

Sept. 14 – Anna Sysko – Season extension at Anna's Greenhouse.

Sept. 21 – Bethel Harvest Festival.

Sept. 28 – Scott Hynek – The sex life of birds and bees at Bryant Pond 4-H.

Oct. 19 – Anna Sysko – Seed saving for children and adults – Location TBD.

Oct. 26 – Julek Chawarski – Aquaponics at Bryant Pond 4-H.

Contact Brian Lenberg FMI: brian.lenberg@maine.edu or 207-595-0348

Current happenings:

- Potluck supper for the community – Friday Aug. 23, 6p.m. West Parish Congregational Church, UCC, Bethel
- Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Bethel Farmers Market held at Norway Savings Bank in Bethel (at the junction of Route 2 and Parkway)-EBT accepted.
- Wednesdays 3 to 6 p.m.: Farmers at the Market at DiCocoa's, 119 Main Street, Bethel
- The Local Hub is open every day 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 224 Main Street Locke's Mills. Janet and Nick Bartlett have lots of local produce and baked goods, seedlings, Maine beer, along with a full array of growing and kitchen supplies.
- Mexican Night 5 to 9 p.m. at DiCocoa's 125 Main Street.
- Bethel Bait and Tackle at 7 Mechanic Street in Bethel is selling fresh lobster and seafood Wednesday through Monday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Bridge results

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge club met Friday, Aug. 16 at 9:15 in the Rec. building on King Street. A nine and one-half table Mitchell movement was enjoyed.

Finishing first in flight A N/S were Mike True (Auburn) and Mike St. John (Westbrook), second were Eilene Potvin (Cundys Harbor) and Della Starbird (Oxford) who also were first in flight B, third were Bailey Geeslin (Bridgton) and Mike Quinn (Otisfield), fourth were Rosemarie Goodwin (Lewiston) and Luke Merry (New Gloucester). Finishing second in flight B were Nancy Farmer (Norway) and Mike Newsom (Norway), third were Marilyn and Richard Canton (Bridgton).

Finishing first in flight A E/W were Paul Kahl (Westbrook) and Nick Karamessinis (New Gloucester), second were Neenie Kivus (Lewiston) and Pat Quinn (Otisfield), third were Carol Curran (Bridgton) and Milt McKeen, Jr. (Bridgton) who also were first in flights B and C, finishing fourth were Pamela and Errol Libbey (Norway) who also were second in flight B. Finishing third in flight B were Karen MacNeil (Casco) and Marjorie Levesque (Casco),who also were third in flight C, fourth were Hazel Glazier (Norway) and Marta Clements (Woodstock), finishing third in flight C were Cathy Sanderson (Waterford) and Jim Dickens (Naples).

Next Friday there will be another game, same place and time; all bridge players are cordially invited. A partner is always guaranteed. For information call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153 or email buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

Senior Citizens meet

The Bethel S enior Citizens Club met Aug. 14 at Stony Brook Campground for their meeting and picnic with 36 present. President Caroline Gould conducted the meeting, led in the salute to the flag, led in singing "My Country Tis of Thee" and offered a prayer. Thanks go to Bruce Powell and his crew for hosting the picnic and cooking the hamburgers and hot dogs. The picnic was in memory of Bruce's Mom and Dad, Harold and Eunice Powell.

The 50/50 raffle was won by Pattie Burnham.

The next meeting will be Sept 11 at the Funky Red Barn. Meeting will start at 11a.m. Menu is prime rib or haddock and price is $12.

Reservations must be made before Sept. 1 by calling Caroline Gould at 824-3226 or Arlene Lowell at 824-2877 with your choice.

The foliage trip will be discussed and members will decide where they want to go.

The speaker was Dick Hale who spoke about logging past and present and what a dangerous job it was. Some of the early loggers were farmers and young men and were from different parts of the country. They were also from Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Poland to name a few. Dick also told some humorous stories and the talk was enjoyed by all.

Happy birthday was sung to those having August birthdays, Avery Angevine, Dot Bartlett, Joan Cole, Arlene Lowell, Gerry Shimamura and John Winslow.

DPS week at TPC

On July 31, led by U.S. Senators Susan Collins (R-Maine) and Ben Cardin (D-Md.), the U.S. Senate unanimously approved a resolution designating the week beginning Sept. 8 as "National Direct Support Professional Recognition Week." This year's resolution marks the sixth consecutive year of recognition by the U.S. Senate for this essential workforce.

"Direct support professionals work tirelessly every day of the year administering skilled and compassionate care to seniors and individuals with disabilities," Senator Collins said. "I commend the important work carried out by direct support professionals that allows these individuals to stay connected with their community and their families, and I am pleased to have supported a resolution honoring all that these professionals do to help those in their care live meaningful and productive lives."

The Progress Center is in the midst of planning a celebration to recognize the DSPs employed at the center. In addition to updates and teambuilding activities, there will also be time to relax, reconnect with employees from other departments, and enjoy good food and camaraderie. This has become an annual event and eagerly anticipated by all.

Ron Raymond, chairman of the board of directors at The Progress Center said, "On behalf of the entire board of directors, I would like to publicly recognize the DSPs at The Progress Center for the high quality of services and supports they provide to the individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities enrolled in programs at the center. Your dedication and commitment to the mission and vision of The Progress Center shows in the supports you provide to help enable these individuals to live meaningful, productive lives within their families and the community."

The Progress Center is a non-profit social service agency supporting 231 individuals and families with developmental and intellectual disabilities in 49 communities within four Maine counties.

For more information on National Direct Support Professionals Week or on The Progress Center, please contact Priscilla Burnette at 743-8049 ext 266 or by e-mail at priscillaburnette@progresscentermaine.org.

Back to school safety

As summer days grow shorter, communities across America will soon be observing that timeless annual ritual: the first day of school. It's a time when parents breathe a sigh of relief and students and teachers anticipate new beginnings and new challenges.

Unfortunately, the beginning of school is also a time when children are at increased risk of transportation related injuries from pedestrian, bicycle, school bus, and motor vehicle crashes because there are many more children on the road each morning and afternoon and many driver's patterns change. Shorter daylight hours make it especially difficult to see young pedestrians and bicyclists. So as schools open their doors, it's time for every motorist, parent, educator, and student to improve their traffic safety practices. The following tips can help this be a safe and happy school year for the whole community.

Tips for Motorists

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits.
- Always stop for a school bus that has stopped to load or unload passengers. Red flashing lights and an extended stop arm tells you the school bus is stopped to load or unload children. State law requires you to stop.
- Be alert and ready to stop. Watch for children walking in the street, especially where there are no sidewalks. Watch for children playing and gathering near bus stops. Watch for children arriving late for the bus, who may dart into the street without looking for traffic. When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch for children walking or biking to school.
- When driving in neighborhoods or school zones, watch for young people who may be in a hurry to get to school and may not be thinking about getting there safely.

Tips for Parents

- Help your children learn and practice the safety rules for walking, bicycling, or riding in a passenger car or school bus.
- Supervise young children as they are walking or biking to school or as they wait at the school bus stop.
- Be a good role model, especially when you are with your kids. Always buckle up in the car, always wear a helmet when biking, and always follow pedestrian safety rules.

Tips for Educators

- Teach young children the safety rules for traveling to school, whether it be walking, bicycling, or riding in a motor vehicle or on a school bus.
- Support any "Getting to School Safely" activities sponsored by your school, PTA/PTO, or other community organizations.
- Be a good role model. Always use your seatbelt, wear a helmet when bicycling or riding a motorcycle.

Tips for Students

- Always buckle up when you're riding in a car.
- Always ride in the back seat. It's the safest place for young people.
- Always wear a helmet and follow traffic safety rules when riding your bike.
- If you ride a bus, learn and practice the safety rules for waiting at the bus stop, getting on and off the bus, and riding the bus.
- If you walk to school, learn and practice the safety rules for pedestrians. Always, cross at crosswalks, obey all traffic signs, traffic lights and safety patrol instructions.
- Be a good role model for younger brothers and sisters and friends, and help them learn and practice the safety rules.

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

CRISSCROSS – "TO" WORDS

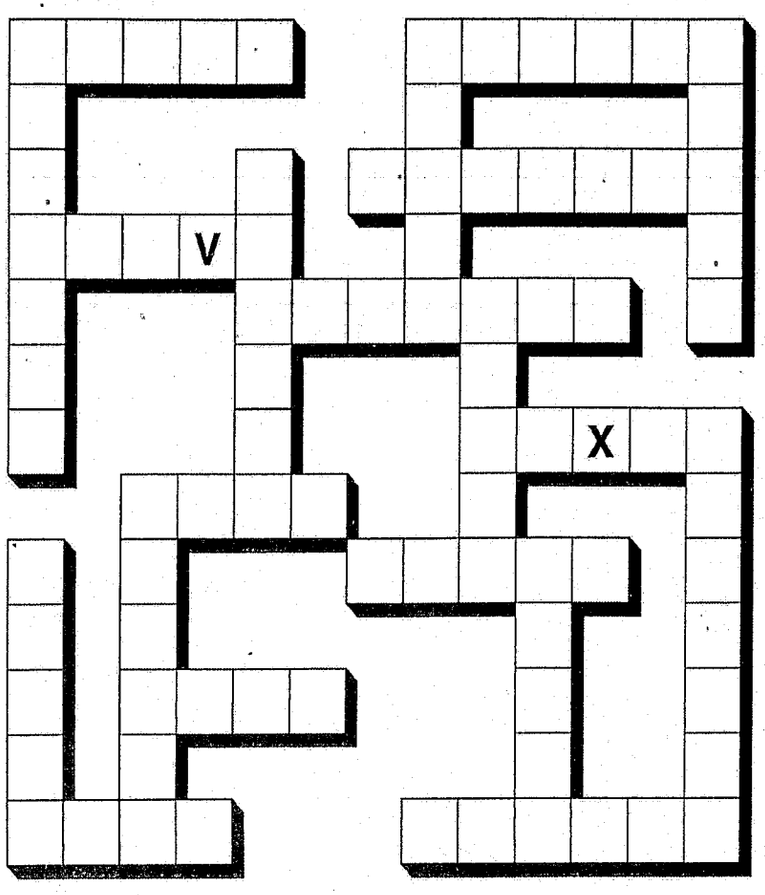
Each word will fit into one spot in the grid. Use the starting letters as a guide and fit each word into its spot. All words will be used, so cross off each one after you put it into the grid..

4 Letters
AUTO
STOW
TORN

5 Letters
LOTTO
PINTO
STOOD
STOPS
STORK
STOVE
TODAY
TOOLS
TOXIC

6 Letters
DETOUR
PHOTOS
STONES
TOMATO

7 Letters
CUSTOMS
TODDLER
TONSILS
TORPEDO



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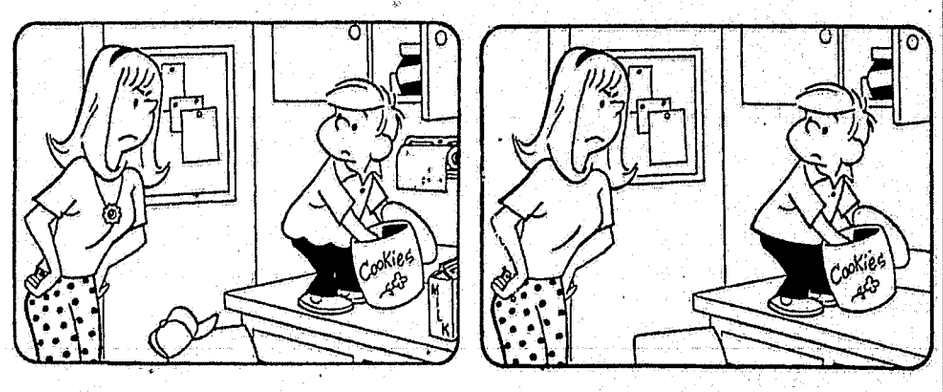
HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Necklace is missing. 2. Bulletin board is smaller. 3. Cap is missing. 4. Shirt is different. 5. Towels are missing. 6. Milk is missing.

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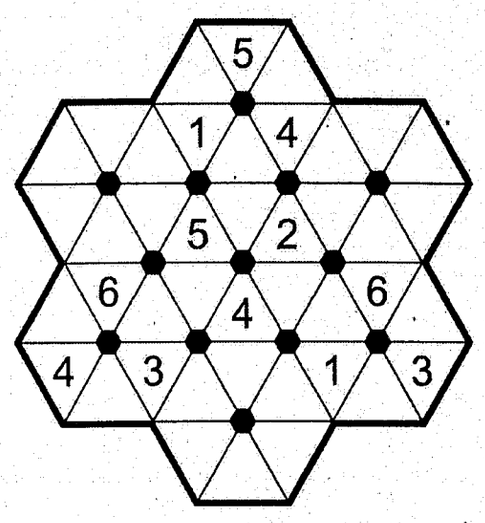
SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆
◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Load
BENDUR

Quiet
TENSIL

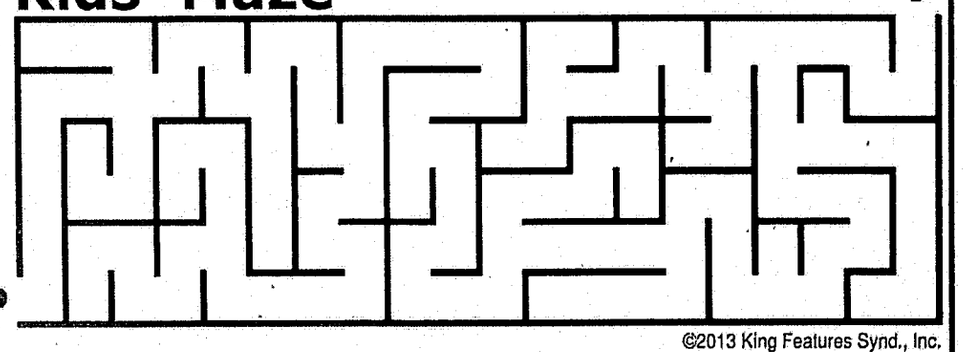
Tension
TRAINS

Baffle
FOUNCES

TODAY'S WORD

"I'm suffering from a bad case of yard-work _____!"

Kids' Maze



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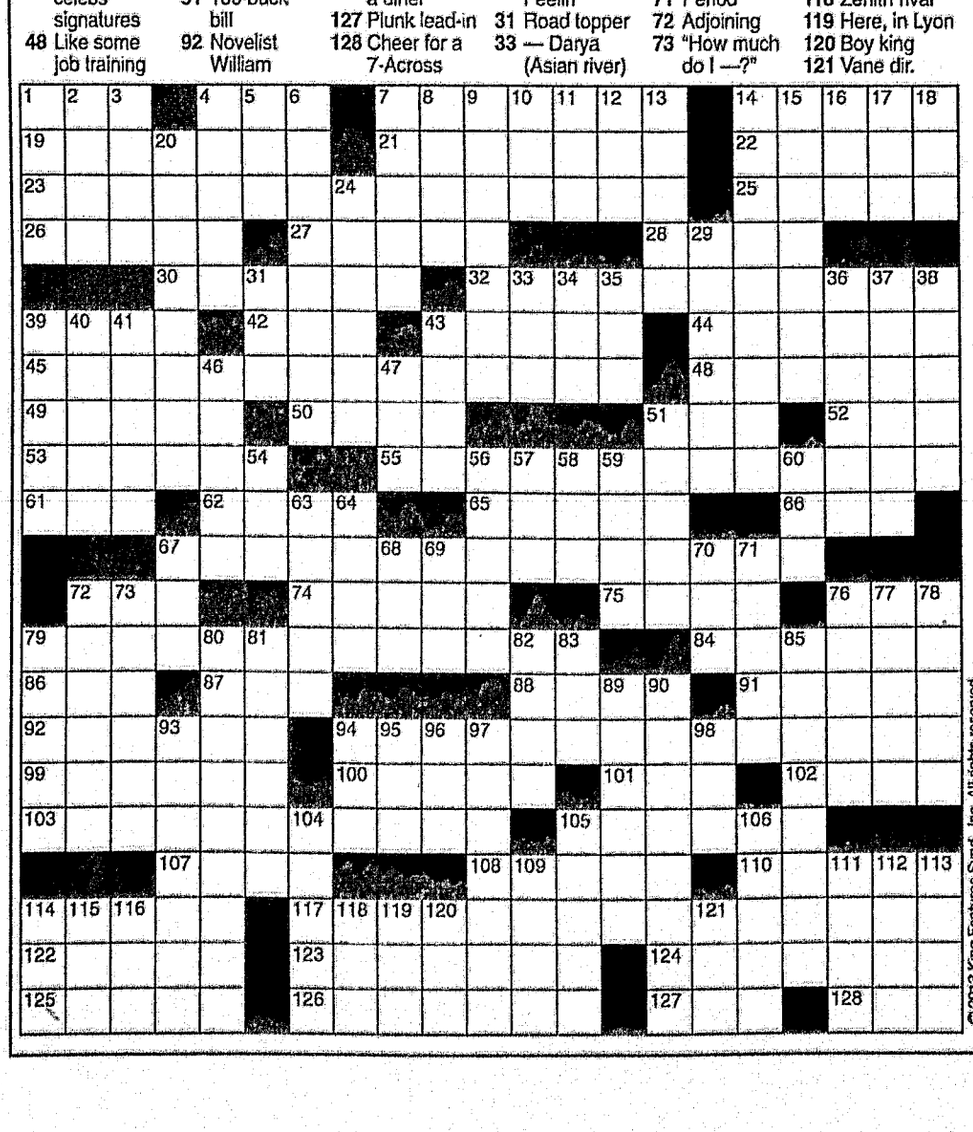
Super Crossword

H2O

ACROSS
1 Naval vessel inits.
4 Pastor's talk: Abbr.
7 Toreador
14 Mello — (soda brand)
19 "Waltzing —" (Aussie folk song)
21 Hard to get
22 Scallion, e.g.
23 Subcompact 1980s car
25 Soft palate appendage
26 Office transcriber
27 On a scale from one —
28 Spelling of TV
30 Best results obtainable
32 Rectory
39 Head cook
42 See 122-Across
43 Guy concerned with corp. image
44 Like words for people, places, and things
45 Solicitor of celebs' signatures
48 Like some job training
49 "— old for this!"
50 Scholastic sports org.
51 — -cone (chilly treat)
52 Part of S&L: Abbr.
53 Commercial center of Venice
55 Pituitary secretion
61 Some EMT cases
62 The Little Pigs, e.g.
65 Bamboozled
66 Special ties
67 Try to get ringers
72 Negatives
74 Have — to grind
75 "Hurry!"
76 Rd. intersectors
79 Hanukkah, for one
84 Get there by walking
86 Application filename extension
87 Follower of Sun.
88 Sleep cycle occurrences
91 100-buck bill
92 Novelist William
94 Golfers' hangout after a round
99 Ermines with brown coats
100 Have — up one's sleeve
101 "Nope"
102 "The Sopranos" co-star Robert
103 Hiker's lodging place
105 "Ad astra per —" (Kansas motto)
107 French for "fires"
108 Letter after gee
110 Make up for sins
114 Awake and out of bed
117 Belize, once
122 With 42-Across, time of cavemen
123 Enter the mind of
124 Jackie's "O"
125 MTV hidden-camera show
126 Serves, as at a diner
127 Plunk lead-in
128 Cheer for a 7-Across

DOWN
1 Baseball officials
2 Curing stuff
3 Eye affliction
4 Yacht cousin
5 Univ. URL ending
6 Playwright Terence
7 Maestro Zubin —
8 Burn balm
9 Start playing for pay
10 "Just — expected"
11 Jazzman Gillespie, for short
12 Ab — (from the start)
13 Monopoly payments
14 Judge's title
15 Green-eyed
16 Lucy of films
17 IM chuckle
18 Go — diet
20 "Don't play me for a dummy"
24 Non-office desktop
29 Subtitle of Neil Diamond's "I Got the Feelin' "
31 Road topper
33 — Darya (Asian river)
34 Fled or bled
35 Ill. neighbor
36 Harmony
37 "To save us all from — power" (carol lyric)
38 French pupil
39 Nile capital
40 Like muggy weather
41 Jazzy Jones and James
43 Rx-filling place: Abbr.
46 Mafia's John
47 Crone
51 Old Iranian monarchs
54 Tiny morsel
56 Rowed
57 Scale stats
58 Mao — -tung
59 "For — jolly good ..."
60 Prefix with inform
63 Corporate raider Carl
64 Speed skater Apolo Anton —
67 Frat letter
68 Linden of TV
69 — Magic (Clorox stain remover)
70 Klutz
71 Period
72 Adjoining
73 "How much do I —?"
76 Pub perch
77 Book's name
78 Turn a car
79 "Falling Skies" actress Schram
80 Stifled
81 Tokyo locale
82 Comical Johnson
83 "— -haw!" (oater cry)
85 Away for a break
89 Good guy
90 Kind of one-way fastener
93 Informer
94 "Hey Jude" syllables
95 QB's error
96 Scot's "no"
97 Doughnut alternatives
98 Hit — books
104 U-shaped yoke collar
105 Suffix with walk or sale
106 Doppler —
109 "It — laugh!"
111 Roughly
112 Toe feature
113 Latin "to be"
114 Nile slitherer
115 R-V linkup
116 Whole lot
118 Zenith rival
119 Here, in Lyon
120 Boy king
121 Vane dir.



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Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.

			2		3	1
	2					
				3	4	
		3				
				2		
	3		3			

DIFFICULTY: ★★
★Easy ★★Moderate ★★★Y

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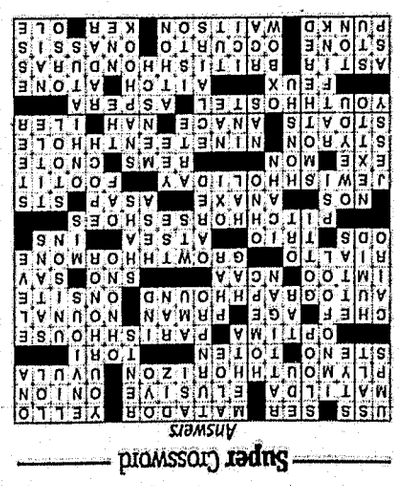
ANSWERS:

Kids' Maze solution

SCRAMBLERS
solution
Today's Word: BURNOUT
1. Burden; 2. Silent; 3. Strain; 4. Confuse



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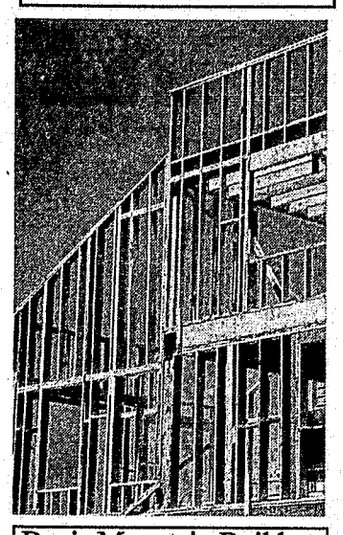

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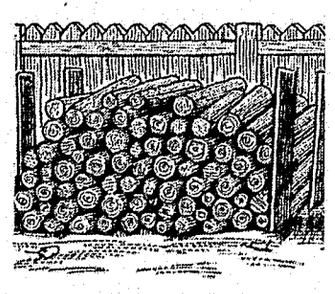

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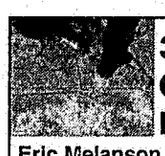

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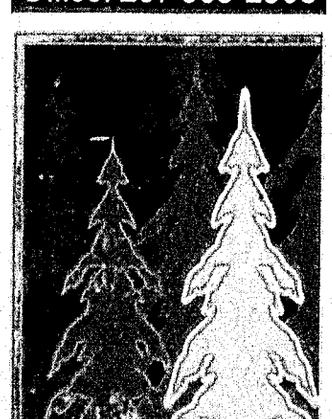

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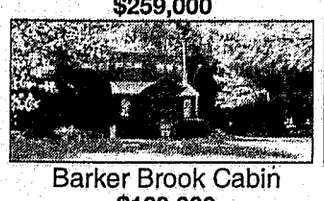
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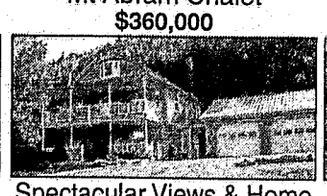
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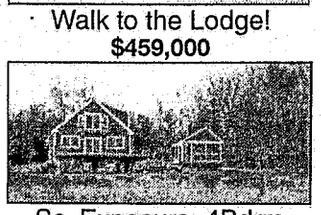
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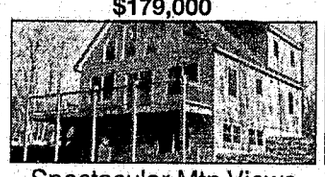
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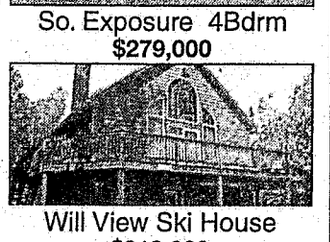
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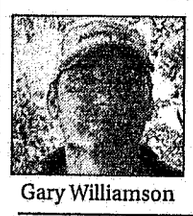
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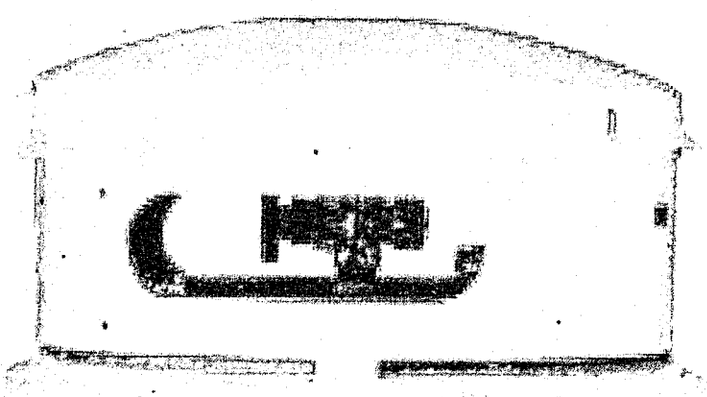

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Obituaries

LESLIE W. ROBERTSON

Leslie "Farmer" Robertson, age 56, of Newry, passed away at his beloved farm on Sunday with his family by his side.

Leslie was a third generation farmer who lived on "Farmer's Corner" in Newry. He owned and operated Robertson Farms which was built in the mid-1800s, and officially named in 1979 by Leslie and his wife Toni, shortly after their marriage.

Leslie purchased his first skidder at age 15. After buying the skidder, Telstar High School allowed Leslie to rearrange his schedule so he could attend classes in the morning, run the farm with his mother, and log for the remaining portion of the day.

Leslie married his former wife Toni July 14, 1979 in Mexico. They gave birth to their daughter Amy Lynne Robertson on Aug. 23, 1981 in Norway.

Leslie established Robertson Logging and Land Clearing in 1983 and expanded the business, which survives to this day, to include a second skidder and a full-time employee.

In 2004 Leslie became partners with Norman Davis of Newry, and together they created Meadow View Estates, a housing development.

In 2008 Leslie was diagnosed with Glioblastoma Multiform, a rare and aggressive brain cancer. In 2010 he enrolled in an immunotherapy (vaccine) clinical trial at University Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. Leslie's success during the trial helped pave the way for the introduction of immunotherapy as a mainstream treatment for Glioblastoma. Because of this treatment Leslie became the "poster boy" for University Hospital and the clinical trial, appearing on TV and in the local/national newspapers.

Because of his "celebrity" at the University Hospital, Leslie was able to actively help others with the same disease, as they would call his house wanting information and guidance about how to get the same treatments.

Leslie met Linda Smith in 2005. They lived together at the farm for 8 years where she remained by his side as his loving partner until the end.

Leslie is survived by his daughter Amy Robertson of Newry, his significant other Linda Smith of Newry, his sisters: Janet Tibbetts and family of Florida; Norma Bessey and family of Michigan; Winona Barker and family of Maine, and Betty Lou Payne and family of Florida, as well as his brother Robert Korhonen and family of Indiana. He is also survived by his former wife, and Amy's mother, Toni Robertson, as well as Logan Whitney, his constant companion and "partner in crime" at the farm.

Leslie is predeceased by his parents Freda and Wade Robertson, and his brothers Phillip and Paul Korhonen.

Leslie touched the lives of everyone he encountered and leaves behind countless individuals who consider themselves blessed to have called him "Friend."

In lieu of flowers please send donations to the Arbor House, 300 Main Street, Lewiston, Maine 04240.

A Celebration of Life (please bring smiles) will be held Saturday Aug. 24 at 10a.m. at the Bethel Alliance Church across from Telstar High School. Arrangements by: Cliff Gray Cremation and Funeral Services, 60 Andrews Road Bryant Pond, Maine 04219.

DAVID P. STOWELL

David Porter Stowell, 71, of South Paris died of natural causes at Togus Veterans' Hospital on Aug. 13. He was born in Lewiston on July 14, 1942.

David was predeceased by his beloved wife Holly Sanborn. They had 33 years together before she died in 2008.

David was also predeceased by both of his parents, H. Kirke and Tressa Milton Stowell of Bryant Pond, as well as his brother, Dexter Milton Stowell of Bethel.

His three surviving sisters include Sally Stowell Tessicini of Sarasota, Fla., Sylvia Stowel Hauzenblas of Bryant Pond and Sandra Stowell Seaver of Bethel. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Janet Sutherland Stowell of Bethel and Sally's husband Cid Tessicini of Sarasota, Fla. David had 12 nieces and nephews and over 19 great nieces and nephews, counting Holly's descendants.

David graduated from Woodstock Grammar School and Gould Academy. He served in the U. S. Army from 1964 to 1966 in the 69th Signal Bn. His year of service as a radio operator in Long Binh, Vietnam earned him the Vietnam Service medal. Upon release from duty, he attended Tufts University and Nasson College, and served in the U. S. Army Reserves. He received an honorable discharge in 1970. David worked at Stowell Wood Products in Bryant Pond in administration until the wood turning products mill closed.

He loved baseball, following the Red Sox avidly most of his life; he also enjoyed attending horse racing in Maine and other spots he visited. In later years he collected several sporty cars.

For 28 years Dave's mission in life was to faithfully and zealously care for his wife after she was diagnosed with MS.

In relationships with others, David was kind and sweetly considerate. His faith in Christ encompassed many years.

Graveside burial services were held at Lakeside Cemetery in Bryant Pond on Sunday, Aug. 18, led by Pastor Eric Hanson. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Activity Center of Patriots Place in his memory: Togus Veterans' Hospital, 1 VA Ctr., Unit 73, Augusta, Maine, 04330.

Arrangements are under the care of Oxford Hills Funeral Services, 1037 Main Street, Oxford.

IRVING AND HILDA BROWN

Graveside services for Irving and Hilda Brown will be held on Saturday, Aug. 24 at 11 a.m. at the Riverside Cemetery in Bethel.

Arrangements are under the care of Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, Greenleaf Chapel, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel.

Interim pastor named in Bethel

The congregation of the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel is pleased to announce that the Reverend Richard Bennett has been called to serve as Interim Pastor beginning Sept. 1.

Prior to coming to WPCC, Rev. Bennett served as pastor of the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, in Bridgton as well as churches in Westbrook, and Wolfeboro, N.H. A graduate of the University of Connecticut and Andover Newton Theological School, he holds advanced degrees in both education and theology and worked as a teacher and school administrator prior to entering the ministry.

As Interim Minister, Rev. Bennett will serve at WPCC for a period of one to two years. In addition to the normal duties as pastor, he will assist the congregation in the search for and selection of a Settled Minister. His first day in the pulpit will be on Sunday, Sept.1.

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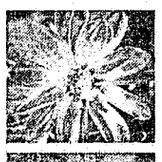

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Stanley R. Howe

on the occasion of his retirement from the Bethel Historical Society

. . . and his 70th birthday!

Sunday, August 25, 2013

Dr. Moses Mason House, 14 Broad Street

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Refreshments served

In lieu of gifts, Stan invites you to donate to the Society's Annual Fund or Howe Lecture Fund in his honor.

Thank You

The family of Emerson Clough wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all our neighbors, friend, and relatives for the food sent in, cards, phone calls, visits with hugs, love, and comforting words. We also want to thank Dr. Peter Harbage, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway Center for Rehabilitation, Chandler Funeral Home, and Rev. John Williams, for all the comforting words helped to releive our sorrow.

May God bless you all.

Adaline

Theron & Susan Clough & Family
Valerie "Cindy" Schroeder & Family
Rose & Steve Farnum & Family
Connie & Rick Lausier & Family

Bittersweet Farewell

It is with mixed emotions that I close my shop and take down my shingle. I have been "doing hair" for the past thirty-six years, and now seems to be the right time to turn off the dryers, unplug the curling irons, and rinse the sink for the last time. In my years of business on the Flat Road, I have served many clients from the Bethel area and surrounding towns, even out of state, created lasting friendships, and bid a fond farewell to the many clients who have passed on.

I have been blessed in having the opportunity to serve my community, and to offer a sympathetic ear to those in need of a good listener. Now, I will take those fond memories wherever I go, as I tend to my family, and watch my grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow.

I am truly grateful to my clients for the time we spent together. Thank you for your patronage and your friendship.

Love to all,
Linda Westleigh

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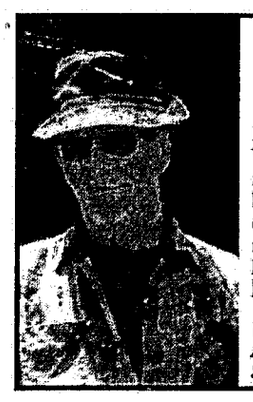

In Loving Memory
Lawrence "Bozo" Young

December 18, 1928 - August 21, 2008

Dear Dad:
We thought of you today, but that is nothing new. We thought about you yesterday, and days before that too. We think of you in silence, we often speak your name. All we have are memories and a picture in a frame. Your memory is a keepsake, from which we will never part. God has you in his arms, we have you in our hearts.

We miss you!
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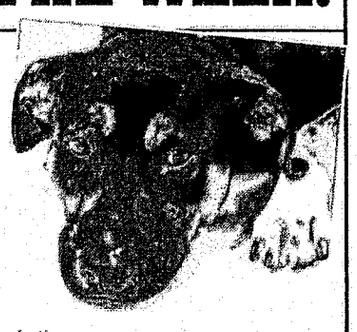

I'm a two-year old, lab/terrier mix. I'm a dog with lots of energy that loves to play ball. I also have a softer side, because I like to snuggle. I get along well with other dogs. I'm a happy-go-lucky guy when I'm with people that care about me. I walk well on leash and I'm starting to learn basic commands. I'm ready to be your best friend.

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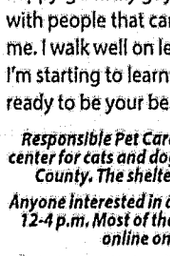

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